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(54) **BLADDER CANCER TUMOR MARKER, ANTIBODY AND USE THEREOF**

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(57) **ABSTRACT**

Provided in the present invention are an aberrantly glycosylated integrin, AG- $\alpha 3 \beta 1$ , and use thereof as a bladder cancer marker. Also provided in the present invention are a hybridoma cell generating an anti-AG- $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  monoclonal antibody, a monoclonal antibody BCMab1 secreted by the same, and use of BCMab1 in the preparation of a medicament for the treatment of bladder cancer. Also provided in the present invention is use of inhibitors of GAL3ST2 and N-acetylglucosaminyltransferase 1 in the preparation of a medicament for the treatment of bladder cancer.

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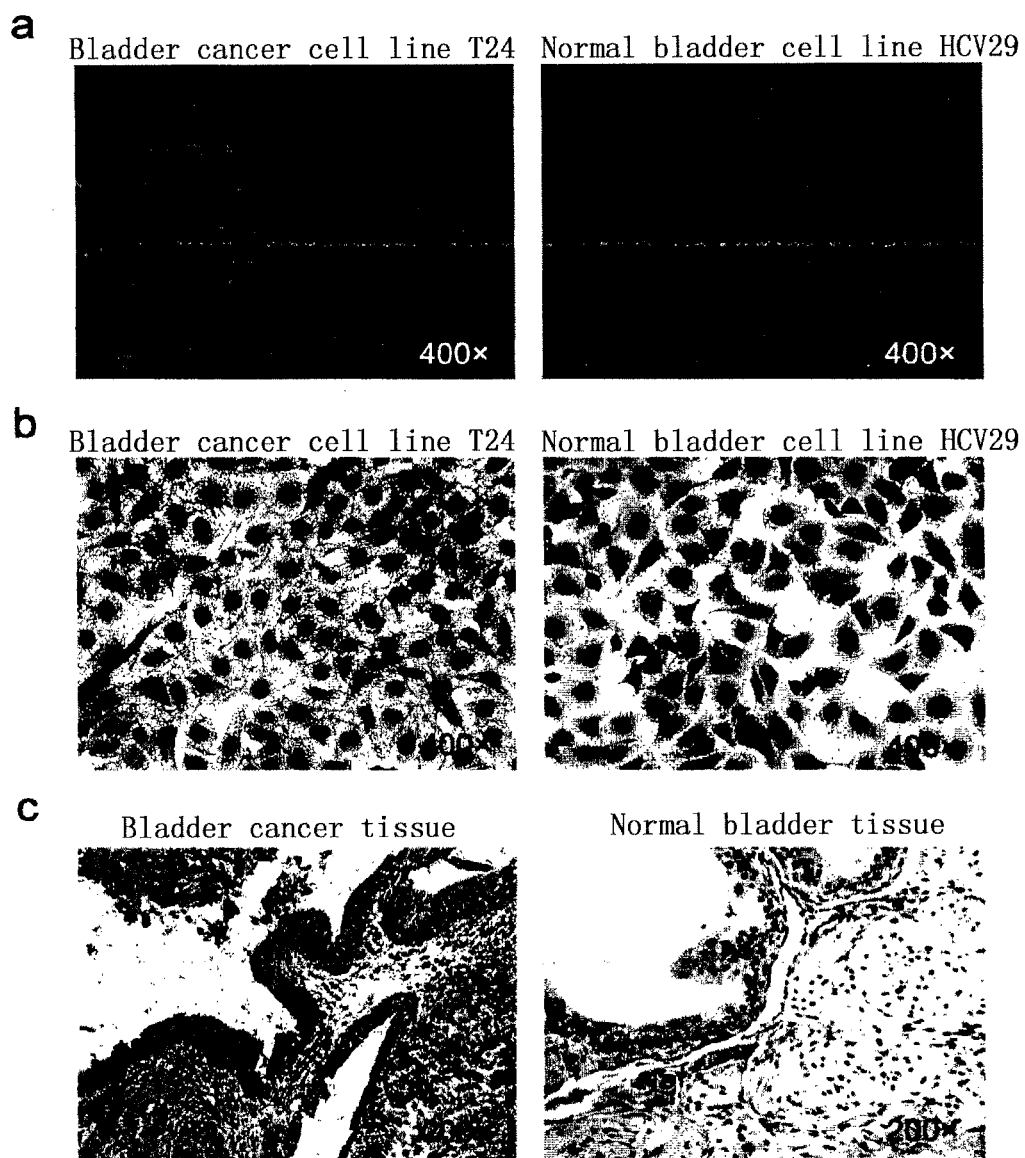


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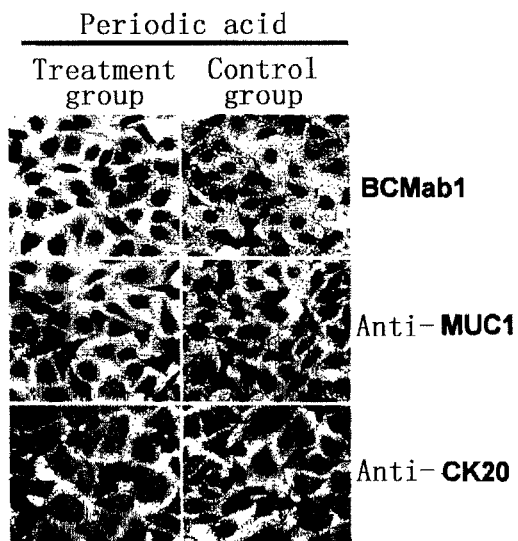


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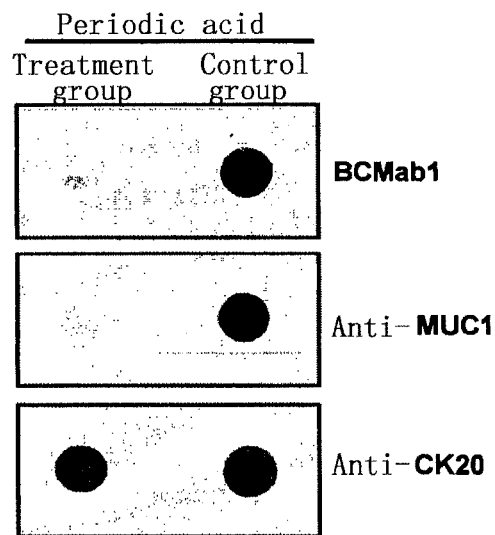


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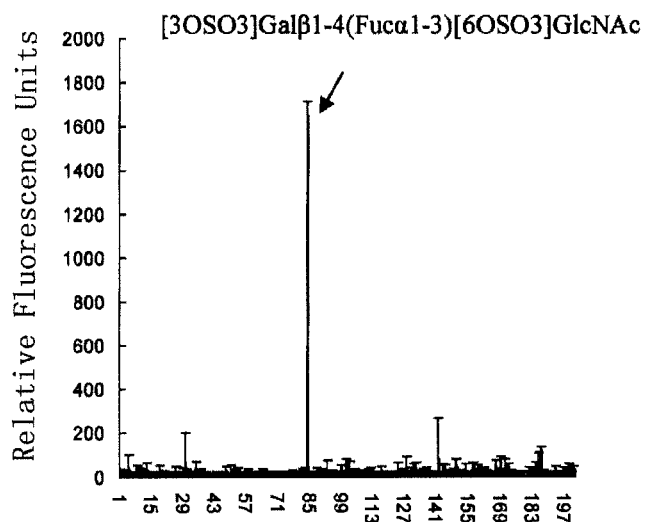


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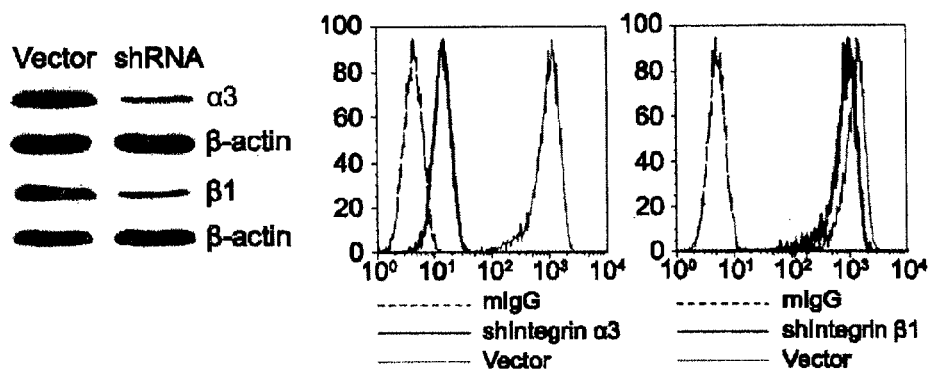


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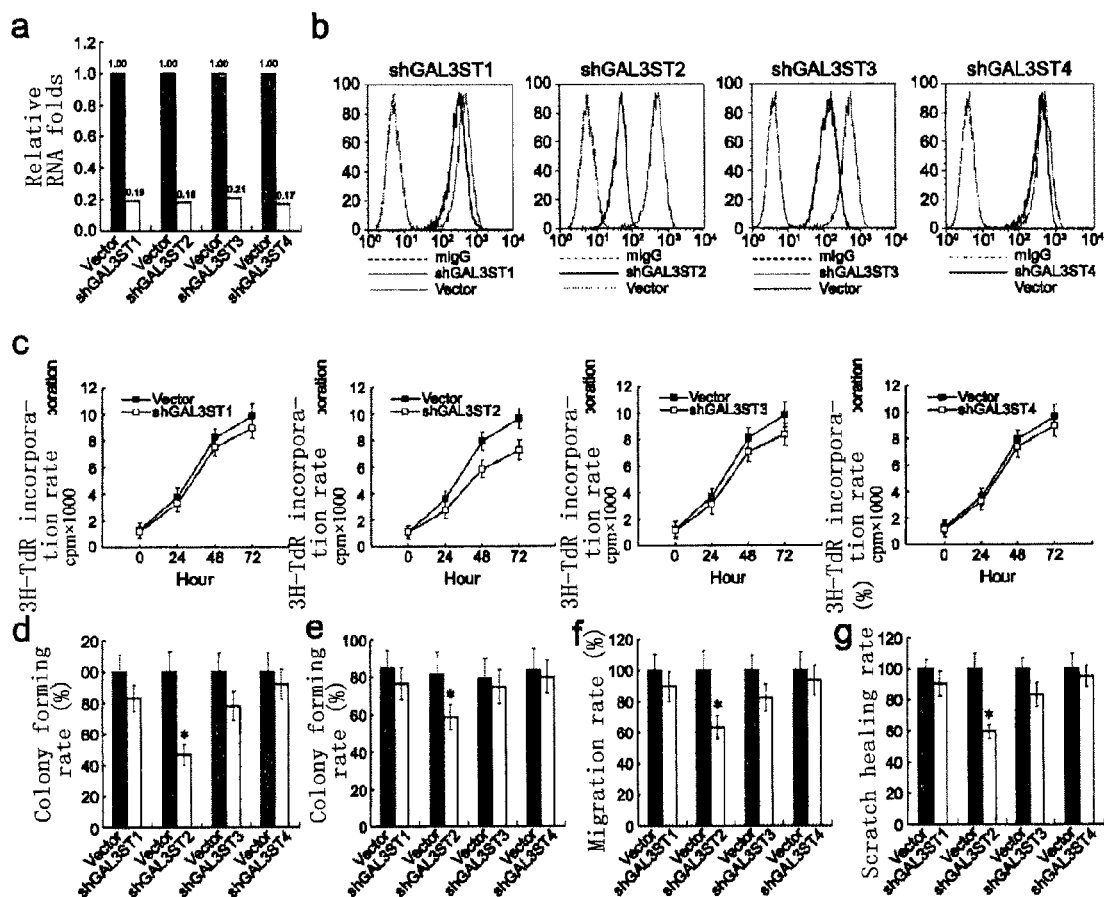


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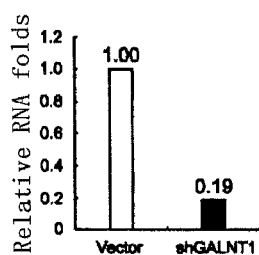


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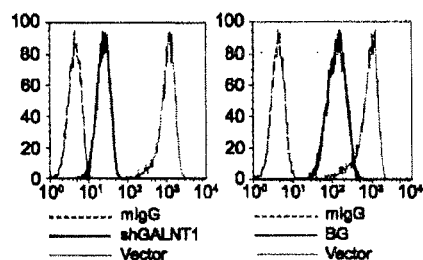


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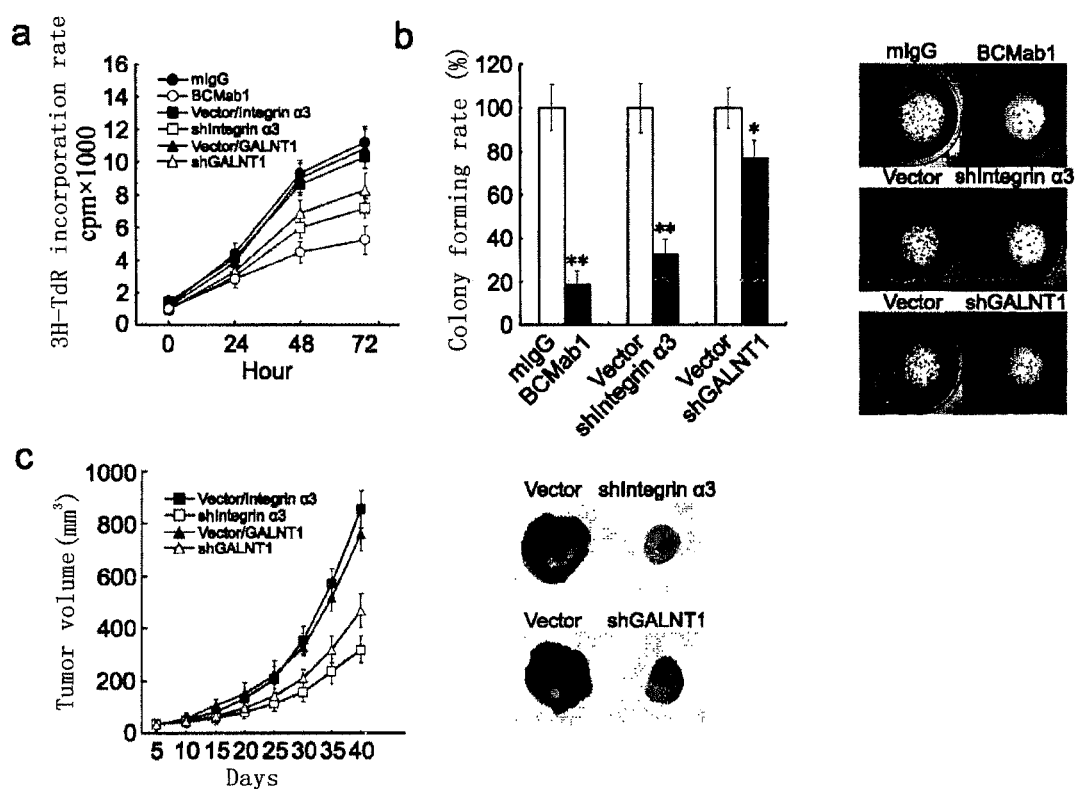


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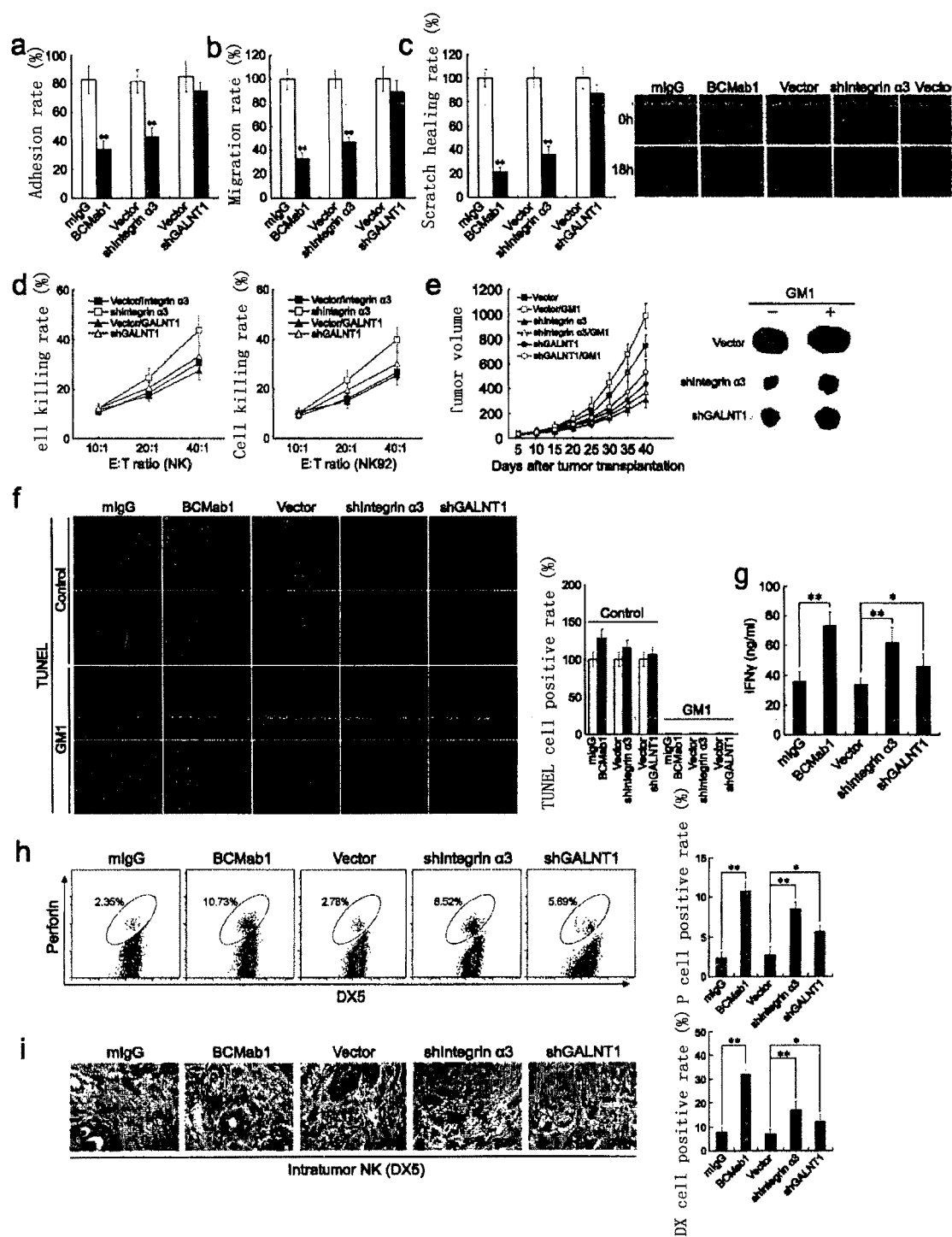


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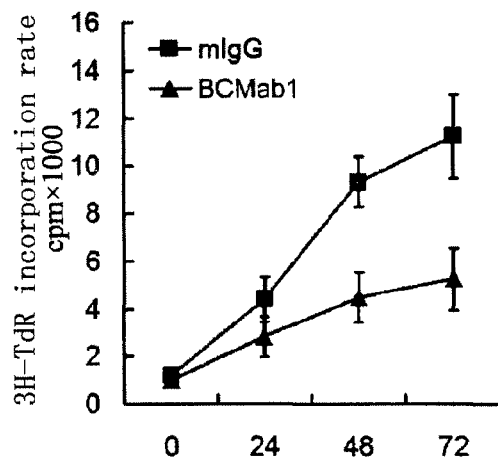


Fig. 12

Amino acid sequence of integrin  $\alpha 3$ :

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 IILLWKCGFFKRARTRALYEAKRQKAEMKSPSETERLTDDY

Fig. 13

Amino acid sequence of integrin  $\beta 1$ :

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Fig. 14



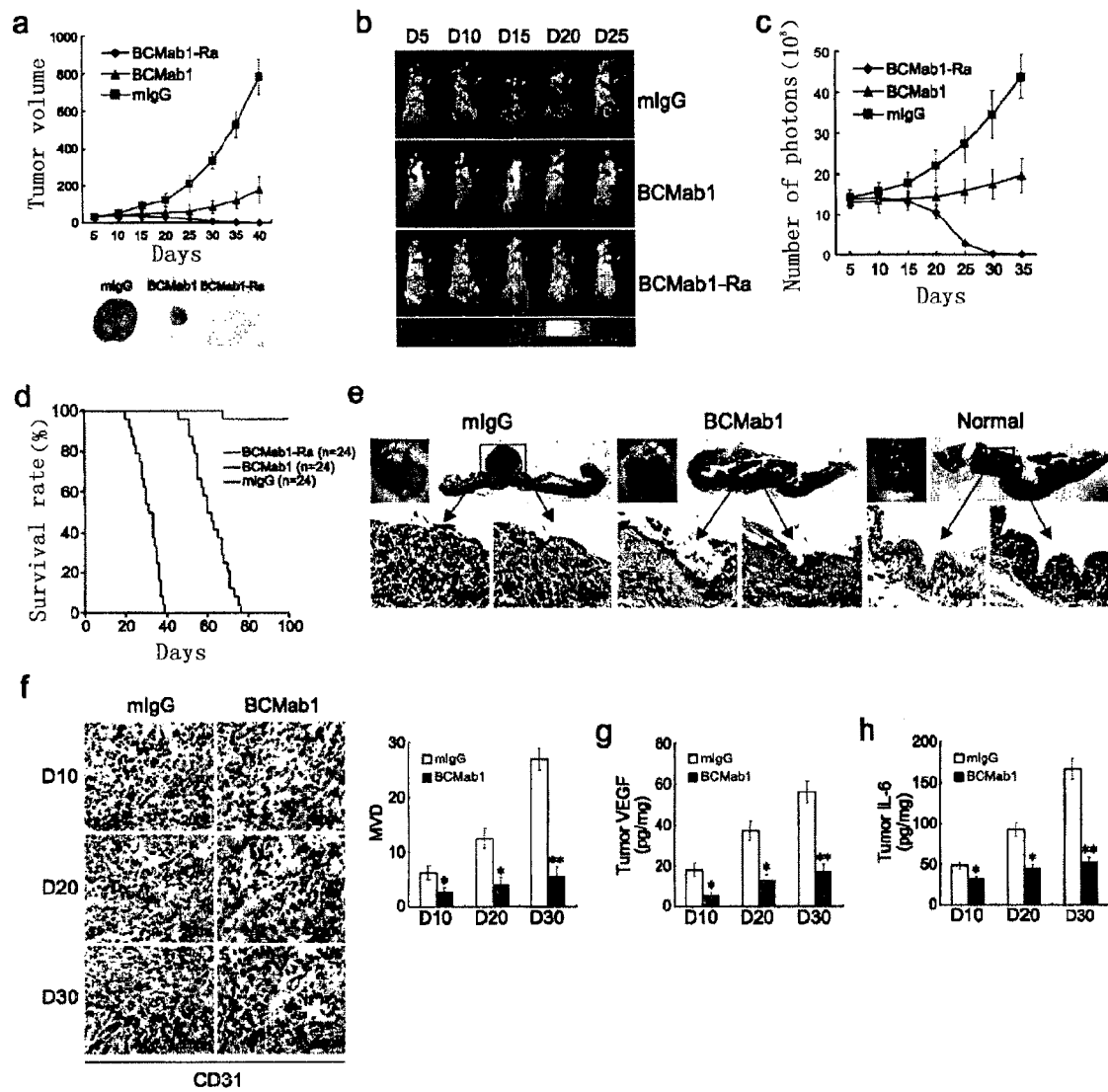


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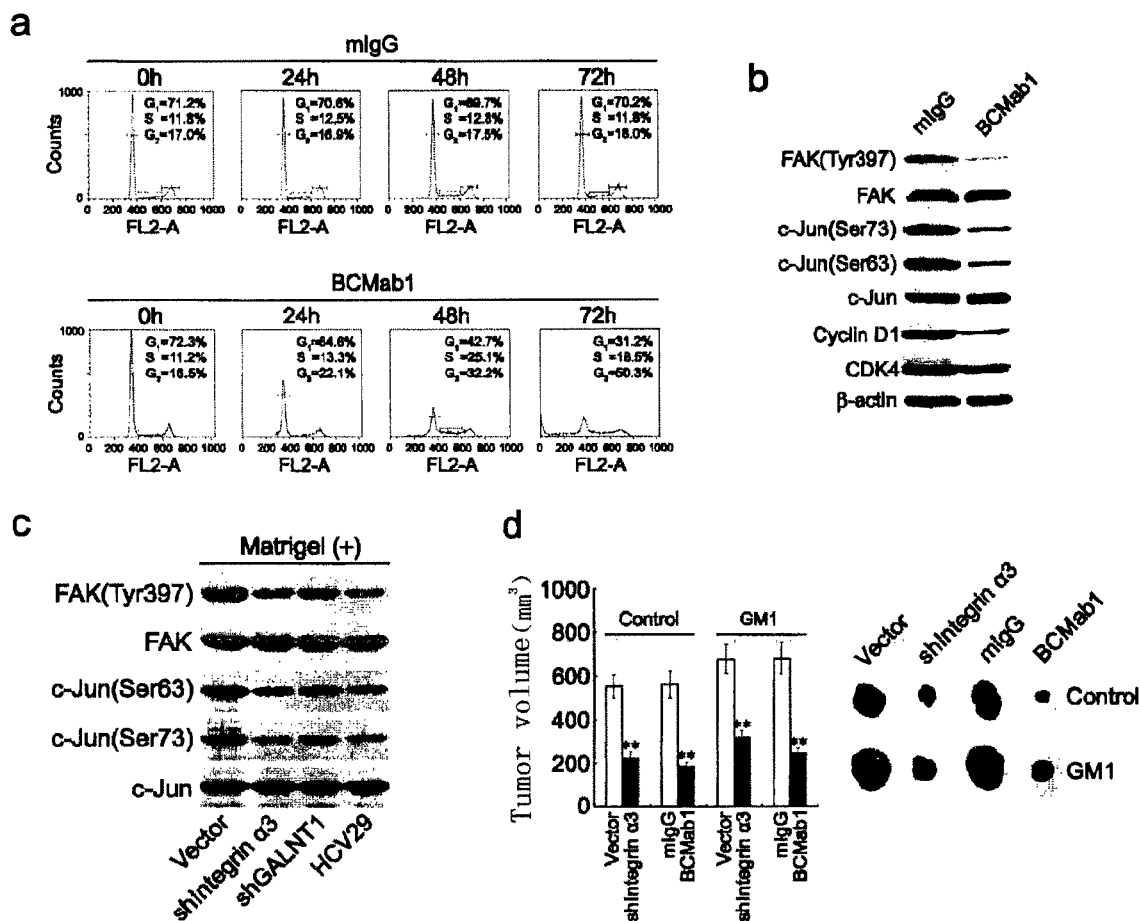


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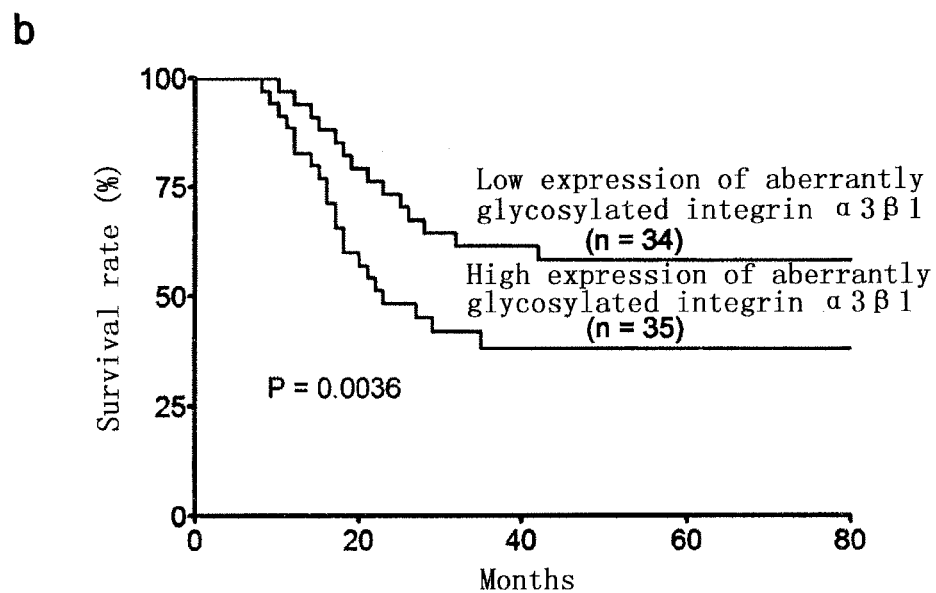
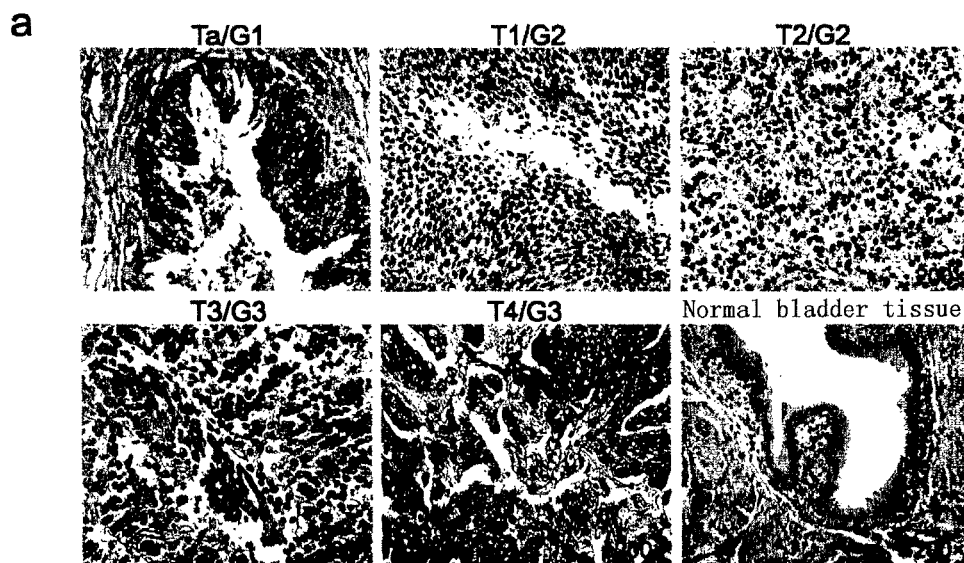


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**BLADDER CANCER TUMOR MARKER,  
ANTIBODY AND USE THEREOF****CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED  
APPLICATION**

This is a national stage application of PCT/CN2011/001345, filed on Aug. 12, 2011, which claims priority of Chinese Patent Application No. CN 201010251384.6, filed on Aug. 11, 2010. This application claims the benefits and priority of these prior applications and incorporates the disclosures of these prior applications by reference in their entirety.

**FIELD OF THE ART**

The present invention belongs to a field of tumor immunology. Particularly, the present invention relates to a novel antigen AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  and the preparation thereof (AG: Aberrant Glycosylation), and an anti-AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  monoclonal antibody BCMab1. It is demonstrated at cytology and histology levels that AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  is expressed on the membranes of human bladder tumor cells only, the antibody BCMab1 not only specifically recognizes AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$ , but also effectively inhibits the proliferation of human bladder tumor cells at cellular level in vitro and in an animal model in vivo. The present invention also relates to a process for detecting bladder cancer in human using a competitive ELISA. In such a detecting process, the antigen in an immobile phase is human bladder cancer tumor marker AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  according to the present invention, and the detection antibody is the antibody BCMab1 directed against human bladder cancer integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$ .

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Bladder cancer is a tumor most commonly found in urinary systems. Although numerous steps were adopted for the treatment, 40-70% of the patients relapsed once or more than once and 10-15% of the patients developed more severe tumors or involved metastasis. Moreover, all these treating processes have apparent toxic and side-effects.

One important clinical task is to prevent relapse of bladder cancer after excision of tumors. Currently, the medicaments used for preventing relapse by bladder perfusion are mainly divided into the following several classes: (1) anti-tumor chemotherapeutic agents, such as Mitomycin C, etc.; (2) immunopotentiators, such as Bacillus Calmette-Guerin Vaccine (BCG), etc.; and (3) cytokines, such as interferon, etc. Although the above classes of medicaments, used either alone or in combination, achieved some effects in the reduction of the relapse rate after the operation of bladder cancer, the overall therapeutic effect is not desirable due to the presence of many issues such as low specificity, multiple drug resistance (MDR) of tumors, and so on. Moreover, because of their low molecular weights, the above classes of medicaments not only can act on the entire bladder and urethra unspecifically, but also can be absorbed by the mucous membranes of bladder and urethra, which easily results in topical or systematic toxic and side-effects. For instance, in the case of Mitomycin C and Bacillus Calmette-Guerin Vaccine which have more positive therapeutic effects, 90% of the patients who had received Bacillus Calmette-Guerin Vaccine were suffered from BCG cystitis and other side effects including hematuria, tetter, fever, arthritis, urethral stricture and the like, or infrequently, even some severe conditions, such as hepatitis, pneumonia, life-threatening septicemia and so on. Mitomycin C has fewer side effects, however still 5-25% of

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the patients who had received Mitomycin C were suffered from chemical cystitis and anaphylaxis, and other side effects included urethral stricture, marrow depression, calcification of bladder wall, and so on.

Integrin is a group of divalent cation-dependent cell surface receptors with a major function of mediating cell-matrix, cell-cell adhesion by binding to corresponding ligands, so as to further affect cell shapes, gene expression and regulation, cell proliferation and differentiation, apoptosis, and migration, infiltration and metastasis of tumor cells, etc. Integrin is composed of non-covalent subunits  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . Various combinations result in different ligand-binding abilities. Integrin subunit  $\alpha 3$  (CD49c) can be combined with subunit  $\beta 1$  (CD29) to form integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$ . The ligands for integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  are laminin (LN) and Collagen IV. In epithelial tissues, integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  is mainly involved in the conglutination between cells and basilar membranes of epithelial cells and can adjust signal transduction, thereby impacting the biological features of cells. Integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  is modified aberrantly on the surface of tumor cells, which is considered to cause a change in malignancy.

Anti-tumor targeted drugs are biological or chemical molecules (e.g. monoclonal antibodies) with an ability to recognize and kill tumor cells specifically. Bladder cancer is a tumor inside the body cavity of human, i.e. a "somatic test tube" of human body. Targeted drugs have high specificities with and strong lethal effects on target cells in vitro. Therefore, in terms of the treatment for bladder cancer, it is very important to find a novel targeted drug directed against bladder cancer in human.

In screening for bladder tumors, early detection and accurate prognosis of bladder cancer appear to be extremely critical for clinical treatment. For the past several years, the molecular markers, such as nuclear matrix protein, bladder tumor antigen and satellite instability etc. newly involved in clinic were also limited by their low sensitivities and specificities. Urine cytological analysis and cystoscopy are still the golden criteria for the diagnosis and monitoring of bladder cancer. Therefore, it is extremely necessary to find an effective and convenient process for diagnosing bladder cancer.

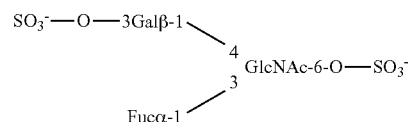
**DISCLOSURE OF THE INVENTION**

The inventors utilized human bladder cancer cell line T24 to immunize mice, so as to achieve hybridoma cells. ELISA was conducted to screen for antibody BCMab1 which can bind to T24 cells with a high specificity. It was demonstrated by immunohistochemistry and immunofluorescence that antibody BCMab1 showed a strong positive reactivity with bladder cancer cell line T24 and bladder cancer tissue of human, but no cross reactivity with normal bladder tissue or other non-bladder cancer cells.

In the present invention, the antigen recognized by antibody BCMab1 was captured by antibody BCMab1 using an immunoaffinity chromatography, and then identified as integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  modified by aberrant glycosylation using a mass spectroscopy and carbohydrate chips. Such an antigen is designated as AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$ , having an epitope in a carbohydrate structure shown as follow: [3OSO3]Gal $\beta$ 1-4(Fuc $\alpha$ 1-3)[6OSO3]GlcNAc. It has been demonstrated by the antibody BCMab1 that AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  is only expressed on bladder tumor cells of human, and correlated positively with tumor staging and pathological grading of bladder cancer. AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  can be used as a novel marker for bladder cancer tumors of human.

In the invention, T24 cells cultured in vitro and a nude mouse transplantation tumor model are treated with antibody BCMab1. It is found that antibody BCMab1 can effectively

More specifically, one object of the invention is to provide an aberrantly glycosylated integrin AG- $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  characterized in that the integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  has a carbohydrate structure: [3OSO3]Gal $\beta 1-4$ (Fuc $\alpha 1-3$ )[6OSO3]GlcNAc as an antigenic epitope. The carbohydrate structure [3OSO3]Gal $\beta 1-4$ (Fuc $\alpha 1-3$ )[6OSO3]GlcNAc is represented by a structural formula shown as follow:



A further object of the invention is to provide use of the pharmaceutical composition of the invention in preparation of the medicament for the treatment of bladder cancer. In a

preferred embodiment, the medicament is used in a combination therapy with other drugs for the treatment of bladder cancer. Said other drugs for the treatment of bladder cancer are preferably selected from the group consisting of antitumor chemotherapeutic agent, immunoreinforcing agent, and cytokines; and more preferably a group consisting of thiotepa (TSPAP), Mitomycin C (MMC), Bacillus Calmette-Guerin Vaccine (BCG), cisplatin (DDP), adriamycin (ADM) and interferon. Further more preferably, said medicament and said other drugs for the treatment of bladder cancer are used simultaneously, separately or sequentially for the treatment of human or animal bodies. Still preferably, said medicament and said other drugs for the treatment of bladder cancer, formulated in a same or different preparations, are co-administered to the subjects in need thereof through a same or different routes.

Another object of the invention is to provide use of the AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  or antibody of the invention, optionally combined with other indicators for the diagnosis or prognosis of bladder cancer, in the diagnosis and/or prognosis of bladder cancer.

Another object of the invention is to provide use of the AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  of the invention for preparing and screening antibodies, wherein the AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  is used as an immunogen to immunize animals, so as to obtain monoclonal or polyclonal antibodies, or the AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  is used as an antigen to screen and prepare antibodies by a phage, yeast or ribosome display technique. Another object of the invention is to provide use of an RNAi sequence directed against GAL3ST2 in preparation of the medicament for the treatment of bladder cancer. Preferably, the nucleotide sequence of the RNAi is shown as SEQ ID No: 3.

Another object of the invention is to provide use of an inhibitor of N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 in preparation of the medicament for the treatment of bladder cancer. Preferably, the inhibitor includes the nucleotide sequence of the RNAi as shown by SEQ ID No: 4, uridine 5'-phosphoric (1-hexadecanesulfonic) anhydride, and Ammonium (3-Acetamido-2,6-anhydro-3-deoxy-D-glycero-L-glucio-heptitol-1-yl) (Uridine-5'-yl)Diphosphate.

Another object of the invention is to provide a process of screening for a potential substance to treat bladder cancer, which comprises the steps of:

- (1) treating a system expressing N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 protein or GAL3 ST2 protein with a candidate; and
- (2) detecting the expression or activity of the N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 protein or GAL3ST2 protein in the system;

wherein, if the candidate can reduce the expression or activity of the N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 protein or GAL3ST2 protein, then the candidate is indicated to be a potential substance to treat bladder cancer.

Yet another object of the invention is to provide use of N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 in the diagnosis and/or prognosis of bladder cancer.

#### DESCRIPTION OF THE FIGURES

FIG. 1. BCMab1 specifically recognized bladder cancer cell line and bladder cancer tissue. (a, b) It was shown by immunofluorescence and immunohistochemistry that BCMab1 stain was positive for bladder cancer cell line T24 cells and negative for normal bladder cancer cell line HCV29. (c) BCMab1 stain was positive for bladder cancer tissues and negative for normal bladder mucosal tissues (IHC);

FIG. 2. Periodide-Oxidation Experiment (Experimental principle of the Periodic acid-Oxidation experiment: a

hydroxyl group of the carbohydrate in glycoprotein is oxidized by a periodic acid in an acidic condition without any alteration of the polypeptide chain structure). In FIG. 2, bladder cancer cells T24 were treated with iodic acid to destroy the carbohydrate antigen structure, so that antibody BCMab1 cannot recognize and no positive reaction with a brown color was present. Anti-MUC1 antibody (commercially purchased from Novocastra Laboratories Ltd, UK) is an antibody known to bind to carbohydrate structures only, which was used as a control herein. Anti-CK20 antibody (Novocastra Laboratories Ltd, UK) is an antibody known to bind to proteinic polypeptides only, which was also used as a control herein;

FIG. 3. Periodide-Oxidation Experiment (Dot blot hybridization experiment, with a result similar with FIG. 2). After lysis, bladder cancer cells T24 were spotted on a film and treated with iodic acid, so that the carbohydrate antigen structure was destroyed, carbohydrate antigen structure was not able to be detected by the antibody BCMab1 and no positive reaction was present;

FIG. 4. Results of the carbohydrate chip assay;

FIG. 5. Knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or integrin  $\beta 1$  in T24 cells (Vector is a vector control, and  $\beta$ -actin is an internal standard for amplification);

FIG. 6. Integrin  $\alpha 3$ -knockdown T24 cells were barely stained by BCMab1, whereas integrin  $\beta 1$ -knockdown T24 cells were stained (shIntegrin  $\alpha 3$  and shIntegrin  $\beta 1$  represent the cells in which the  $\alpha 3$  and  $\beta 1$  subunits are knocked down by RNAi, respectively);

FIG. 7. Impact of GAL3ST2 on aberrant glycosylation of integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  in bladder cancer tissues. (a) Puro-screening for GAL3ST1-4-silenced T24 cells and RT-PCR detection for the expression level. (b) BCMab1 barely stained GAL3ST2-knockdown cells. (c) Compared with the control cells transfected with an empty vector, knockdown of GAL3ST2 could reduce the proliferation of T24 cells significantly. (d) Knockdown of GAL3ST2 could reduce the colony forming ability of T24 cells significantly. (e) Knockdown of GAL3ST2 could reduce the adhesion of T24 cells significantly. (f, g) Knockdown of GAL3ST2 could reduce cell migration significantly;

FIG. 8. Quantitative RT-PCR detection for GALNT1 silence effect in EJ cells;

FIG. 9. GALNT1 silence almost blocked BCMab1 staining. T24 cells and an inhibitor for GALNT1, i.e. BG were co-incubated for 7 days, and then stained with BCMab1;

FIG. 10. Knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 inhibited cancer cell proliferation and tumor growth. (a) Silence of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 inhibited proliferation of T24 cells. Integrin  $\alpha 3$ - or GALNT1-knockdown T24 cells or BCMab1 (10  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ )-treated T24 cells, after cultured for 24-72 hours, were detected for cell proliferation by  $^3\text{H}$ -TdR incorporation assay. (b) Integrin  $\alpha 3$ - or GALNT1-silenced cell lines could not grow in a soft agar. After a treatment with BCMab1 (10  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ ), the growth of T24 cells was also inhibited in a soft agar. (c) Silence of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 inhibited growth of bladder cancer. T24 cells transfected with integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 were injected subcutaneously into back of a BALB/c mouse. The tumor sizes were measured periodically, and averaged (the left panel). The right panel shows the tumor tissues;

FIG. 11. Knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  inhibited the adhesion between tumor and extracellular matrix (ECM) and tumor migration, as well as facilitated NK cell-mediated cell killing. (a, b) Compared with an empty vector, knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  weakened the adhesion between tumors and ECM (a) and tumor migration (b) ( $p < 0.01$ ); whereas knockdown of GALNT1 failed to show an evident result. BCMab1 (10  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ ) could inhibit cell junction and tumor migration sig-

nificantly (mIgG as negative control). (c) It was confirmed in a scratch test that knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  could inhibit migration of tumor cells ( $p < 0.01$ ). (d) Silence of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 could improve the cell killing caused by NK cells.  $^{51}\text{Cr}$ -labeled integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1-silenced EJ cells and IL-2-activated NK cells (left) or NK92 cells (right) were incubated together at  $37^\circ \text{C}$ . for 4 hours in various effect-target ratios (E/T). (e) Integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1-knockdown cells were inoculated into the mice from which NK cells had been removed, and the growth of tumor cells was accelerated. NK cells were removed using anti-asialo GM (GM) antibody, and then the integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1-knockdown EJ cells were inoculated. Tumor volumes were measured periodically, and averaged (the left panel). The tumor status on Day 35 is shown in the right panel. (f) Removal of NK cells impacted tumors. After a TUNEL staining (left), the average numbers of the positively stained cells were calculated (the right panel). (g, h) Tumors inoculated with integrin  $\alpha 3$ -GALNT1-knockdown EJ cells or BCMab1-treated EJ cells, compared with tumors inoculated with EJ cells transfected with an empty vector or mIgG-treated EJ cells, could significantly facilitate the secretion of IFN $\gamma$  and perforin by NK cells. IFN $\gamma$  was detected by ELISA and perforin was detected by FACS. (i) Tumors inoculated with integrin  $\alpha 3$ -GALNT1-knockdown EJ cells or BCMab1-treated EJ cells, compared with tumors inoculated with EJ cells transfected with an empty vector or mIgG-treated EJ cells, could facilitate the recruitment of NK cells inside tumors;

FIG. 12. Antibody BCMab1 inhibited the proliferation of tumor cells;

FIG. 13. Amino acid sequence of integrin  $\alpha 3$  subunit (SEQ ID NO: 1);

FIG. 14. Amino acid sequence of integrin  $\beta 1$  subunit (SEQ ID NO: 2);

FIG. 15. BCMab1 and BCMab1-Ra inhibited growth of the transplanted tumors of a mouse-borne tumor model. (a) In a xenografted mouse-borne tumor model, BCMab1 and BCMab1-Ra inhibited cancer growth. T24 cells were injected into nude mice subcutaneously. When the tumor diameter reached 3-5 mm, the mice were grouped (10 mice/group), and injected with BCMab1 or BCMab1-Ra (10 mg/kg) intraperitoneally, 3 times/week, for 5 weeks. The tumor status on Day 35 is shown in the lower panel. (b) The tumor-suppression effect of BCMab1 and BCMab1-Ra on orthotopically transplanted bladder cancer. After transplanted, GFP-labeled T24 cells were imaged by IVIS on Days 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25. Chromatic aberration showed photon amounts of the mice. Groups of mice (24 mice/group) were administered by infusing bladder, and then given with BCMab1, BCMab1-Ra and mIgG (1 mg/kg each) respectively on the next day. (c) The growth curve of the orthotopic tumor after IVIS treatment. (d) Comparison of the growth curves for BCMab1, BCMab1-Ra and mIgG treated groups. (e) It was shown by immunohistochemistry and HE staining that injection of BCMab1 and BCMab1-Ra in bladder successfully inhibited tumor growth. The tumor was taken to a histological analysis on Day 25 during the treatment. No tumor cell was detected in BCMab1-Ra-treated mice. (f) BCMab1 downregulated the microvessel density (MVD) in tumors. BCMab1 and mIgG-treated mice were subjected to an immunohistochemistry assay using anti-CD31 antibody on Days 10, 20 and 30, so as to calculate MVD (measure microvessel density) (the right panel). (g, h) ELISA results showed that levels of VEGF and IL-6 in tumors were downregulated significantly in the BCMab1-treated mice;

FIG. 16. BCMab1 resulted in cell cycle arrest and inhibited tumor growth. (a) BCMab1 resulted in cell cycle arrest.

BCMab1 (10  $\mu\text{g/ml}$ )-treated T24 cells were analyzed by a PI (Propidium Iodide)-staining flow cytometer. mIgG was used as a negative control. (b) Antibody BCMab1 inhibited phosphorylation of FAK and c-Jun, and downregulated expression of cyclin D1 and CDK4. The lysate was immunoblotted by anti-phospho-FAK (Tyr397) and anti-phospho-c-Jun (Ser63 and Ser73) as well as the total FAK and c-Jun. At the same time, the expression of cyclin D1 and CDK4 was detected.  $\beta$ -actin was used as a control. (c) Aberrant glycosylation of integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  enhanced the activation of FAK signal pathway. T24 cells and integrin  $\alpha 3$ - or GALNT1-silenced T24 cells were treated with Matrigel in a serum-free condition for 30 min. HCV29 cells were used as a normal control. (d) In NK cell-absent mice, BCMab1 still could inhibit tumor growth. After removal of NK cells using anti-asialo GM1 (GM1) antibody, the mice were administered with BCMab1, or inoculated with Integrin  $\alpha 3$ -knockdown T24 cells. On Day 35, tumor volumes were measured, and averaged (the left panel). The right panel shows the tumor tissues;

FIG. 17. Aberrant glycosylation of integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  was correlated with clinical severity and prognosis. (a) Immunohistochemical results showed that aberrant glycosylation expression level of integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  was correlated with clinical characters. The intensity of BCMab1 staining was related with pathological staging and grading. (b) According to the visits for the prognoses of bladder cancer patients in combination with immunohistochemical analysis, it was indicated that expression of integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  was correlated with pathological characters in clinic. The expression level of integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  was high in the bladder cancer specimen with a higher grade, deeper invasion and lymph-node involvement; whereas low in the case with a lower grade, superficial invasion and lymph-node involvement-free. The patients with high expression levels of integrin  $\alpha 3\beta 1$  showed poor prognoses ( $p = 0.0036$ ).

#### DETAILED EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION

As used herein, the term "binding molecules" means intact immunoglobulins, including monoclonal antibodies and polyclonal antibodies, such as chimeric antibodies, humanized antibodies or human monoclonal antibodies, or antigen binding fragments which can bind to antigenic epitopes, including Fab, F(ab'), F(ab') $_2$ , Fv, dAb, Fd, complementary determining region (CDR) fragment, single-chain antibodies (scFv), bivalent single-chain antibodies, single-chain phage antibodies, bispecific double-chain antibodies (diabodies), triabodies, tetrabodies, and proteins or polypeptides binding to antigenic epitopes, etc. The above fragments can be generated through synthesis, enzymatic or chemical lysis of intact immunoglobulins, or recombinant DNA technology-genetic engineering. All these preparation methods are well known in the art, for example, E. Harlow and D. Lane (1988) ed. *Antibodies: A Laboratory Manual*, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y., which is incorporated herein by reference.

As used herein, the term "binding molecules" include all classes and subclasses of immunoglobulins known in the art. According to the amino acid sequences of their heavy-chain constant domains, binding molecules can be divided into 5 major classes of intact antibodies: IgA, IgD, IgE, IgG and IgM, wherein some classes can be further divided into subclasses (isotypes), e.g. IgA1, IgA2, IgG1, IgG2, IgG3 and IgG4.

An anti-AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  monoclonal antibody, BCMab1 is provided in the invention, and anti-AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  polyclonal antibody

ies and other monoclonal antibodies can be easily generated by a person skilled in the art. The general processes for preparing a monoclonal antibody from hybridoma are well known. The cell lines that generate immortal antibodies can be prepared through cell fusion and other techniques, such as transformation of B lymphocytes by oncogenic DNA, or EB (Epstein-Barr virus) transfection.

Physical selection is one example of the conventional processes for obtaining all human antibodies, and includes but is not limited to screening by a phage, yeast or ribosome display technique. The detailed procedure comprises a step of selecting a ligand (antibody) binding to the target protein (antigen) accordingly. There are two conventional physical selection methods. In the first method, an antigen is fixed on a solid support and incubated with an antibody library; after recognition and binding between the antibodies and antigens, unbound antibodies are rinsed off, and the antibodies bound specifically are eluted, collected, identified and stored. In the second method, an antigen is labeled (with biotin or fluorescence, usually) and then the antibodies specifically binding to such an antigen are screened out. In phage, bacterium and yeast display techniques, a living organism is used for the amplification and display, and phenotype and genotype are combined; whereas ribosome and puromycin mRNA display techniques rely on PCR amplification, in vitro RNA translation for obtaining a ligand, and then the binding to corresponding cDNA via a noncovalent bond or a covalent bond. These methods usually require several rounds of screenings. Since the antigenic specificities are known in advance, therefore the specificities of the resultant antibodies are definite. All these methods are well known by a person skilled in the art, and described detailedly in *Antibody Engineering Drugs* (Zhen, Y. and Shao, R., Chemical Industry Press, published on 2002 Nov. 1).

The invention first reveals a relation between the increase of AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  and development/prognosis of bladder cancer, and demonstrates that AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  can be used for the diagnosis, therapeutic direction and prognosis. It is understood by a person skilled in the art that all kinds of methods, including but not limited to immunohistochemistry, immunoenzyme technique, enzyme linked immunosorbent assay, immunofluorescence technique, radioimmunoassay, immune-colloidal gold labeling technique and so on, can be applied to detect AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$ .

After determination of the coating antibody and detection antibody used in the kit of the invention, all types of markers, which can be detected commonly by binding to the detection antibodies in the field, can be applied. The markers applied in the invention are not specifically limited, as long as they can bind to the detection antibodies and, after treated properly, accurately indicates whether AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  is present in the samples to be detected and the existing amount thereof. For instance, the markers can be selected from (but not limited to): horseradish peroxidase, alkaline phosphatase, glucose oxidase,  $\beta$ -D-galactosidase, urease, catalase, or glucoamylase.

Where some of the above enzymic markers are used, some substances that bind to the corresponding enzymes are also required, so that the existing status or amounts of the markers can be reported by color development and so on. The substances include (but are not limited to): o-phenylene diamine (OPD), tetramethyl benzidine (TMB) and ABTS for horseradish peroxidase; and p-nitrophenyl phosphate (p-NPP) for alkaline phosphatase.

In order to eliminate false positive and false negative, a quality control (i.e. control) is intended to be set up during the detection. In one example of the invention, the quality control

is prepared by diluting a standard AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  preparation and serum obtained from healthy volunteers. In addition, if quantitative results are desired, a person skilled in the art understands that several standard AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  preparations with known concentrations can be set up during the detection. The standard preparations can be set up by conventional methods.

As used herein, the "sample" means a substance extracted from human or animal bodies, and includes but is not limited to: urine, plasma, serum, bladder tissue, and other tissues or extraction liquids thereof. Preferably, the "sample" is urine. After lysis, bladder cancer cells release various types of soluble molecules, including AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$ .

Pharmaceutical Composition and Use Thereof

The invention further provides a pharmaceutical composition, which comprises:

(a) an effective amount of the binding molecules of the invention; and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, diluents or excipient.

As used herein, the term "the composition of the invention" includes pharmaceutical compositions, as long as they comprise the binding molecules of the invention as an active component.

In the invention, the term "comprise" means that all types of components can be applied to the mixture or composition of the invention.

In the invention, a "pharmaceutically acceptable" component is a substance which is suitably used in human and/or animals without causing excessive adverse side effect (such as toxicity, irritation and allergy), i.e. a substance with a reasonable efficiency/risk ratio. As used herein, the term "an effective amount" means the amount of a therapeutic agent to treat, alleviate or prevent diseases or conditions, or the amount showing detectable therapeutic or prophylactic effect. The accurate effective amount for a particular subject depends on its somatotype and healthy condition, feature and severity of the disease, as well as the selected therapeutic agents and/or the combination thereof for administration. As a result, predetermination of the accurate effective amount is meaningless. However, in terms of some specified circumstances, the effective amount can be determined by a clinical physician through conventional experiments. For the purpose of the invention, the effective amount means administration of 0.01  $\mu\text{g/kg}$ -500  $\mu\text{g/kg}$ , preferably 0.05  $\mu\text{g/kg}$ -200  $\mu\text{g/kg}$  body weight of the active substance of the invention into individuals.

The pharmaceutical composition can further comprise a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier. The term "a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier" means a carrier used for administering a therapeutic agent. A pharmaceutically acceptable carrier satisfies the following criteria: it neither induces generation of the antibodies which harm the individuals who have received the composition, nor causes excessive toxicity upon administration. Such carriers are well known by a person skilled in the art. A sufficient discussion of the pharmaceutically acceptable carriers can be found in Remington's *Pharmaceutical Sciences*, Mack Pub. Co., N.J. 1991. Solid carriers include but are not limited to: starch, lactose, dicalcium phosphate, microcrystalline cellulose, sucrose and kaolin; and liquid carriers include but are not limited to: saline, buffer, glucose, water, glycerol, ethanol, adjuvant, polyethylene glycol, nonionic surfactant and edible oil (such as corn oil, peanut oil and sesame oil), as long as they are suitable for the properties of the active components and the desired specific administration routes. The adjuvants commonly used for preparing pharmaceutical compositions can also be included advantageously, for example, a flavoring agent, pigment, preservative and antioxidant such as vitamin



E, vitamin C, BHT and BHA. Additionally, these carriers possibly further comprise auxiliaries such as a wetting agent or emulsifying agent, pH buffer substance and so on.

The pharmaceutical composition of the invention can be prepared into any conventional preparation forms by conventional methods.

The dosage forms of the pharmaceutical composition according to the invention are various, as long as they enable the active component to enter into mammalian bodies effectively. The composition can be formulated into any forms suitable for the desired administration routes. For instance, the pharmaceutical composition can be made into tablets, pills, powder, lozenges, pouches, cachets, elixirs, suspensions, emulsions, solutions, syrups, aerosol (as a solid or in a liquid matrix), ointment, soft and hard gel capsules, suppositories, aseptic injections, aseptic packagings of powder, and so on.

The binding molecules or their pharmaceutically acceptable derivatives, modifications, and combinations thereof can be administered through bladder infusion, intravenous, intramuscular or subcutaneous injection, and an oral route, etc., preferably through bladder infusion. The composition of the invention and the pharmaceutical composition thereof can also be stored in a disinfectant suitable for injection or dripping.

The composition of the invention, once prepared, can be given to a subject directly. The subjects to be prevented or treated can be animals; particularly human. The therapeutical dose regimen can be a single-dose regimen or a multidose regimen, which can be adjusted for providing an optimal therapeutical response. For example, due to the stringent requirements of the therapeutical status, several separated doses can be given every day, or the dose can be reduced proportionally.

The composition or medicament of the invention can further comprise other active components, e.g. other drugs for the treatment of bladder cancer used in a combination therapy. Said other drugs for the treatment of bladder cancer are selected from preferably the group consisting of antitumor chemotherapeutic agent, immunoreinforcing agent, and cytokines; and more preferably a group consisting of thiotepa (TSPAP), Mitomycin C (MMC), Bacillus Calmette-Guerin Vaccine (BCG), cisplatin (DDP), adriamycin (ADM) and interferon. Where two or more drugs mentioned above are administered in a combination, normally an effect that excels those caused by administering the two drugs separately is achieved. Preferably, the drugs or other preparations administered in a combination do not interfere with the therapeutical activity of the binding molecules according to the invention.

It was found in the invention that knockout of N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 (GalNAc-T1) expression could inhibit the proliferation of bladder cancer cells and the growth of tumors. Thus a person skilled in the art understands that all inhibitors for GALNT1 can be applied to prepare the drugs for the treatment of bladder cancer. The inhibitors include but are not limited to the nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID No: 4) of RNAi mentioned in Examples, an inhibitor for GALNT1, i.e. ammonium (3-Acetamido-2,6-anhydro-3-deoxy-D-glycero-L-glucos-7-yl) (Uridine-5'-yl)Diphosphate disclosed by Thiem J. (see the following references: J Org. Chem. 2000 Jan. 14; 65(1):24-9. Synthesis of novel donor mimetics of UDP-Gal, UDP-GlcNAc, and UDP-GalNAc as potential transferase inhibitors.), uridine 5'-phosphoric (1-hexadecanesulfonic) anhydride disclosed by Elbein A D (see the following reference: Biochem Biophys Res Commun. 1991 Mar. 15; 175(2):668-72. Synthesis of a new inhibitor of the

UDP-GalNAc: polypeptide galactosaminyl transferase.), a inhibitor for GalNAc-T1 disclosed in WO 2010/118347 A2, and the like.

It was also found in the invention that GALNT1 mRNA expression level was higher in bladder cancer tumor tissues than in normal tissues. Therefore, GALNT1 mRNA can be used as indicator for diagnosis and/or prognosis of bladder cancer. Conventional methods for detecting GALNT1 mRNA are known by a person skilled in the art. Specifically, the tissue to be detected and the normal control tissue are obtained, and detected for their GALNT1 mRNA contents; if the GALNT1 mRNA level is higher in the tissue to be detected than in the normal control tissue by 2 folds or more, then the tissue to be detected is indicated to be a bladder cancer tissue.

It was further found in the invention that knockout of GAL3ST2 (galactose: 3-O-sulfonyltransferase 2) expression inhibited the proliferation of bladder cancer cells and the growth of tumors. Thus a person skilled in the art understands that all inhibitors for GAL3ST2 can be applied to prepare the drugs for the treatment of bladder cancer. The inhibitors include but are not limited to the nucleotide sequence (SEQ ID No: 3) of RNAi mentioned in Examples and an RNAi inhibitor for GAL3ST2, i.e. 5'atgtgttcgacttcggct3' disclosed by Xing-Zhong Wu (Biochemical and Biophysical Research Communications 332 (2005) 934-940), etc.

The invention is further set forth by incorporating the detailed Examples. It will be understood that these Examples are only intended to illustrate the invention, rather than restrict the scope of the invention. In the following Examples, the experiments without specified conditions were conducted in accordance with conventional conditions, such as the conditions defined in Sambrook, et al, Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Guideline. (New York: Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 1989) or the conditions recommended by the manufacturers. Unless indicated otherwise, percentages and parts were calculated by weight. Unless defined otherwise, all professional terms and scientific phrases used herein have the same meanings as those well known by a person skilled in the art. In addition, any methods and materials similar with or equivalent to the contents recited herein can be applied in the invention. The preferred methods or materials described herein are intended for exemplification only.

## EXAMPLE 1

### Preparation and Purification of BCMab1 Monoclonal Antibody

#### (1) Preparation of Hybridoma

Balb/C mice (commercially purchased from Vital River Laboratory Animal Technology Co. Ltd., Beijing) were immunized with human bladder cancer cell line T24 (ATCC: HTB-4) by intraperitoneally injecting a dose of  $1 \times 10^7$  cells/ml PBS. After two weeks, the mice were immunized again with the same injection volume and method. While the serum titer of the mice met the requirement, cell fusion was arranged. The mice were boosted three days before the fusion. At the same time, mouse myeloma cells Sp2/0 (ATCC CRL-1772) were prepared.

The sensitized B lymphocytes were fused with the myeloma cells (Practical Immunology, Yang, Y. ed., Changchun Press, published in December, 1994), and selectively cultured (using peritoneal macrophages of the mice as feeder cells) in HAT medium (purchased from Invitrogen Co.; HAT is an enunciate of the initials of hypoxanthin, aminopterin and

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thymidin; HAT medium is thus a cell culture medium containing these three substances).

Next, the supernatant of the hybridoma cell culture was detected by ELISA. More specifically, T24 cells ( $1 \times 10^5$  cells/ml) were coated onto a 96-well plate, 100  $\mu$ l/well, and cultured at 37° C. overnight. After cell adherence, 4% paraformaldehyde was added, and the plate was fixed at room temperature for 10 min, then washed for 3 times. Subsequently, 100  $\mu$ l of the supernatant to be detected was added and incubated at 37° C. for 1 hour. Following 3 times of washing, an enzyme-labeled secondary antibody (anti-mouse IgG-HRP) (commercially purchased from Zhongshanjinqiao Biological technology Co. Ltd., Beijing) was added and incubated at 37° C. for 1 hour. Following another 3 times of washing, 50  $\mu$ l TMB (commercially purchased from Zhongshanjinqiao Biological technology Co. Ltd., Beijing) was added for color development, and kept at room temperature for 5 min. Then 50  $\mu$ l stop buffer was added. In the end, the OD values were measured at a wavelength of 450 nm by a microplate reader. An OD value which is higher than that of the negative control by 2 folds or more is considered as a positive result.

Then, the selected positive hybridoma cells were clonally cultured (through a limiting dilution, and using peritoneal macrophages of the mice as feeder cells). Following 2-3 rounds of clonal cultures, stable hybridoma cell clones that could generate high-titer monoclonal antibodies were obtained. The hybridoma cell clones were then amplified, cultured, frozen and stored.

One type of the positive hybridoma cells in the invention is the hybridoma cell line secreting monoclonal antibodies directed against human bladder cancer. This hybridoma cell line was deposited in China General Microbiological Culture Collection (CGMCC, Beijing, China), with an accession number CGMCC No. 3845, on May 21, 2010.

#### (2) Preparation and Purification of Monoclonal Antibody BCMab1

The above hybridoma cells which secrete BCMab1 were inoculated into the abdominal cavities of Balb/C mice, so as to prepare ascites; then the monoclonal antibodies were extracted from the ascites. The monoclonal antibody BCMab1 was purified using Protein G affinity chromatography. First, a Protein G affinity chromatographic column (purchased from "GE" Co.) was prepared, and then balanced with PBS (Phosphate Buffered Saline). The ascites containing monoclonal antibody BCMab1 was passed through the column, then the column was washed with PBS till its OD value approached zero. The column was then eluted with a 0.2 M glycine-HCl solution (pH 2.8), and the eluent was collected. After the OD value of each collecting tube was measured, the eluent with the OD value within the peak range was retained, concentrated by dialysis, then frozen and stored at 20° C.

### EXAMPLE 2

#### Identification of Monoclonal Antibody BCMab1

Normal bladder tissue cells HCV29 were purchased from Peking University Health Science Center. Cell lines T24, EJ, HepG2, LoVo, 293, A375, Jurkat, PC-1, MCF-7, K562, HeLa, and other cell lines were purchased from ATCC (Rockville, Md., US). Bladder cancer tissues and normal tissues of human were received from The Second Affiliated Hospital of Kunming Medical University, with informed consents. BALB/C mice and nude mice were both purchased from Chinese Academy of Medical Science Institute of laboratory animal.

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Bladder cancer tissue slices of human (received from Peking University Third Hospital) were stained immunohistochemically with the monoclonal antibody BCMab1 prepared in Example 1 using a conventional method. The result, as shown in FIG. 1, indicated that the bladder cancer tissues of human showed positive reactivity after stained with the monoclonal antibody BCMab1, a secondary antibody (anti-mouse IgG-HRP) and DAB substrate (Zhongshanjinqiao Biological technology Co. Ltd., Beijing); whereas the normal tissues of human showed negative reactivity after being stained with the monoclonal antibody BCMab1, a secondary antibody and substrate.

Bladder cancer cells T24 and other cells were detected by the monoclonal antibody BCMab1 using a flow cytometer, and normal human tissues were assayed immunohistochemically. The results, as shown in Table 1 and FIG. 1, indicated that the monoclonal antibody BCMab1 showed a strong positive reactivity with T24 and EJ cells (ATCC CRL-1888), but no cross reactivity with other non-bladder cancer cells or normal tissues of human. Particularly, BCMab was able to stain human bladder cancer cell lines EJ and T24, rather than nonmalignant ureteral epithelial cell line HCV29 and systematic tumor cells (FIG. 1a, 1b and Table 1). In order to investigate the specificity of BCMab1 to bladder cancer, 123 tumor tissues and 56 normal tissues were screened immunohistochemically. The results indicated that BCMab1 stained bladder cancer tissues only, and showed negative staining for normal bladder tissues and other tissues, such as liver, brain, adrenal gland, pancreas, stomach, colon, breast, lung, ovary, cardiac muscle, thyroid gland, lymph node and marrow (FIG. 1c, Table 1, unshown data). As a result, BCMab1 can specifically recognize the antigen on membranes of bladder cancer cells.

TABLE 1

Detection of immune responses of monoclonal antibody BCMab1 directed against human bladder cancer to various cells and tissues by flow cytometry and immunohistochemistry			
Cell line	BCMab1	Normal tissue	BCMab1
Human bladder cancer cell line EJ	+	Liver	-
Human bladder cancer cell line T24	+	Brain	-
Normal human ureteral epithelial cell line HCV29	-	Adrenal gland	-
Human hepatic cancer cell line HepG2	-	Pancreas	-
Human colon cancer LoVo	-	Stomach	-
Human malignant melanoma cell line A-375	-	Colon	-
Human embryonic kidney cell line 293	-	Breast	-
Human T cell tumor Jurkat	-	Lung	-
Human prostate cancer cell line PC-1	-	Ovary	-
Human breast cancer cell line MCF-7	-	Cardiac muscle	-
Human cervical cancer cell line HeLa	-	Thyroid gland	-
Human chronic leukemia cell line K562	-	Lymph node	-
Human normal peripheral blood mononuclear cell	-	Marrow	-

### EXAMPLE 3

#### Identification and Preparation of Antigen AG- $\alpha$ 3 $\beta$ 1

Human bladder cancer cell line T24 was cultured in a RPMI-1640 medium containing 10% fetal bovine serum

(purchased from Invitrogen Co.). After digested with 0.25% pancreatin, 1×10<sup>8</sup> T24 cells were washed with PBS for 3 times. Then 100 µg monoclonal antibody BCMab1 was added, incubated at 4° C. for 2 hours, and washed with PBS for 3 times. The cells were lysed with 1 ml detergent lysis buffer (50 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0; 150 mM NaCl; 0.02% sodium azide; 0.1% SDS; 100 µg/ml PMSF; 1 µg/ml Aprotinin; 1% NP-40; 0.5% sodium deoxycholate) for 30 min, and centrifuged at 12,000 g for 10 min. The supernatant was separated and passed through the Protein G affinity chromatographic column. The column was washed with PBS till its OD value approached zero. Subsequently, elution was carried out using a 0.2 M glycine-HCl solution (pH 2.8), and the eluent was collected. The OD value of each collecting tube was measured, and then the eluent with an OD value within the peak range was retained, and identified to be human integrin α3β1 by mass chromatographic analysis (see Table 2).

Mass spectrometry: protein gel was cut into small pieces. Pierce Silver Staining Kit and mass chromatographic analysis (Pierce, US) were utilized. Mass chromatographic analysis was conducted for the tryptic peptide generated from digestion of the gel (NanoLC-LTQ, Thermo Finnigan).

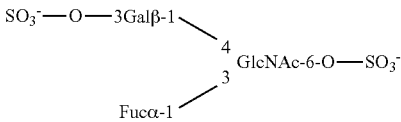
(scan 4454), SEQ ID NO: 21 (scan 5306), SEQ ID NO: 22 (scan 5792), SEQ ID NO: 23 (scan 5979), SEQ ID NO: 24 (scan 6170), SEQ ID NO: 25 (scan 6318), SEQ ID NO: 26 (scan 7665), and SEQ ID NO: 27 (scan 8195).

Data were examined by periodate oxidation experiment (Daigo Tsubokawa, Yukinobu Goso, Akira Sawaguchi, et al. A monoclonal antibody, PGM34, against 6-sulfated blood-group H type 2 antigen, on the carbohydrate moiety of mucin. FEBS J. 2007 April; 274(7):1833-48) in combination with antibody-BCMab1 carbohydrate chips (The Consortium for Functional Glycomics, USA). The epitope recognized by antibody BCMab1 is a carbohydrate chain on human integrin α3β1, i.e. [3OSO3]Galβ1-4(Fucα1-3)[6OSO3]GlcNAc (see FIGS. 2, 3 and 4), an O-linked polysaccharide. And such a carbohydrate chain is located on amino acid T (threonine) at position 740 of α3 subunit (on the T in STSS). Since antibody BCMab1 specifically binds to human bladder cancer tissue only, the antigen is indicated to be integrin α3β1 modified by aberrant glycosylation (AG-α3β1), and its epitope [3OSO3]Galβ1-4(Fucα1-3)[6OSO3]GlcNAc is merely expressed in bladder cancer tissue cells. After identification, the structure of [3OSO3]Galβ1-4(Fucα1-3)[6OSO3]GlcNAc is shown below:

TABLE 2

Mass chromatographic identification of antigen of BCMab I									
Refer- ence Scan(s)	Peptide	MH+	z	Score XC	Cover- age DeltaCn	MW Sp	Acces- sion RSp	Peptide (Hits) Ions	Count
integrin alpha 3 isoform b, precursor [Homo sapiens]				98.30		118756.8	600611	10 (9 1 0 0 0)	
4184	R.TGAVYLCPLTAHK.D	1431.65517	2	3.44	0.40	817.8	1	16/24	1
4236	R.YTQVLWSGSEDQR.R	1569.65696	2	4.21	0.44	1330.6	1	20/24	1
4704	R.YLLLAGAPR.E	974.18150	2	3.14	0.44	1554.8	1	15/16	1
5265	R.LQSFEGGTIVIGESGM*K.T	1692.93394	2	3.01	0.19	768.3	1	16/30	1
5304	K.EAGNPGSLFGYSVALHR.Q	1775.94547	2	3.88	0.57	1213.9	1	21/32	1
5550	R.HMGAVFLLSQEAGGDLR.R	1802.04787	2	5.98	0.57	3828.0	1	29/32	1
5600	R.LQSFEGGTVMGESGMK.T	1676.93902	2	4.26	0.49	1569.4	1	22/30	1
6376	K.LELLLMNLR.D	1230.50277	2	3.48	0.26	1398.1	1	16/18	1
6582	R.FAGSESAVFHGFSPPEMR.C	2135.41062	2	4.61	0.55	1509.1	1	21/36	1
5265	R.LQSFEGGTVM*GESGMK.T	1692.93394	2	2.45	0.48	581.1	2	15/30	1
integrin beta 1 ispform 1A precursor [Homo sapiens]				130.31		88415.9	19743823	13 (1 3 0 0 0 0)	
3281	K.SAVTIVVNP.K.Y	1016.17355	1	1.80	0.29	557.7	2	11/18	1
3692	R.SNGLICGGNGVCK.C	1336.46409	2	3.03	0.34	820.0	1	18/24	5
3705	R.DKLPQVPQDPVSHCK.E	1846.07060	3	3.55	0.38	798.0	1	25/60	5
3800	K.FCECDNFNCDR.S	1537.55049	2	3.88	0.49	1769.6	1	18/20	5
4234	K.LSEGVTSYK.S	1097.24343	2	2.62	0.49	972.4	1	15/18	5
4454	K.WDTGENPIYK.S	1223.31587	2	2.82	0.45	688.0	1	15/18	1
5306	R.IGGSFVEK.T	984.13002	2	2.42	0.37	548.6	1	12/16	5
5792	K.SLGTDLNMNEMR.R	1267.45864	2	3.25	0.46	897.1	1	17/20	5
5979	K.LKPEDITQIQPQQLVLR.L	2020.36187	2	5.29	0.42	1561.2	1	23/32	5
6170	K.NVLSLTNKGVEFVNLVGR.Q	1962.23605	2	6.14	0.55	2084.2	1	24/34	5
6318	R.LLVFSTDAGFHFGAGDGK.L	1782.97638	2	4.78	0.62	1901.6	1	21/32	5
7665	K.LSENNIQTIFAVTEEPQPVYK.E	2471.74650	2	4.82	0.58	1352.7	1	24/40	5
8195	R.AEDYPIDLYLLMDLSYSMK.D	2331.64649	2	4.91	0.61	1340.6	1	22/36	5

Note: Sequence identifiers for the amino acid sequences of peptides shown in Table 2 are, for intergrin alpha 3 isoform b precursor [Homo sapiens], SEQ ID NO: 5 (scan 4184), SEQ ID NO: 6 (scan 4236), SEQ ID NO: 7 (scan 4704), SEQ ID NO: 8 (scan 5265), SEQ ID NO: 9 (scan 5304), SEQ ID NO: 10 (scan 5550), SEQ ID NO: 11 (scan 5600), SEQ ID NO: 12 (scan 6376), SEQ ID NO: 13 (scan 6582), and SEQ ID NO: 14 (scan 5265); and, for integrin beta 1 isoform 1A precursor [Homo sapiens], SEQ ID NO: 15 (scan 3281), SEQ ID NO: 16 (scan 3692), SEQ ID NO: 17 (scan 3705), SEQ ID NO: 18 (scan 3800), SEQ ID NO: 19 (scan 4234), SEQ ID NO: 20



Detailed procedure of the periodate oxidation experiment are listed as follows: T24 cells were cultured in a 24-well plate for 24 hours. A pre-cooled paraformaldehyde solution (1 ml)

was added and kept for 15 min to fix the cells. T24 cells were oxidized by the high-iodine protein in a sodium-acetate balanced solution at room temperature for 1 hour. Excessive periodate was neutralized after cultured with sodium borohydride at room temperature for 30 min. T24 cells were stained immunohistochemically with antibodies BCMab1, anti-MUC1 or anti-CK20. The secondary antibody labeled with peroxidase and DAB assay kit were used for color development.

Detailed procedures of the carbohydrate chip experiment for antibody BCMab1 are shown as follows:

BCMab1 was diluted with 3% BSA/PBS buffer to a concentration of 1 µg/ml. To a carbohydrate chip, 100 µl BCMab1 dilution was added and incubated in a wet box for 1 hour. The glass slide was rinsed with 0.05% Tween 20/PBS (PBST), and incubated with 200 µl Cy5-linked goat anti-mouse IgG antibody (1:200) (Novocastra Laboratories Ltd, UK) in a wet box for 1 hour. The slide was dried in air, scanned to detect fluorescence at a wavelength of 635 nm using a microarray scanner (GenePix 4000B, Molecular Devices), and analyzed with the GenePix Pro software.

The experiment for determining the specific position of the polysaccharide epitope recognized by BCMab1 in integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  subunits is shown as follows:  $\alpha 3$  or  $\beta 1$  subunit was knocked down by RNAi (through pSUPER-shIntegrin $\alpha 3$  or pSUPER-shIntegrin $\beta 1$  viral transfection).  $\alpha 3$  or  $\beta 1$  subunit-silenced T24 cells and stable cell lines were screened by puromycin (FIG. 5).  $\alpha 3$  or  $\beta 1$  could be knocked down by 80%. The  $\alpha 3$  or  $\beta 1$  subunit-silenced T24 cells were stained by antibody BCMab1 and analyzed by FACS. The result showed that BCMab1 could not stain the  $\alpha 3$ -silenced T24 cells (FIG. 6, left), but stain the control cells with blank transfection and the  $\beta 1$ -silenced T24 cells (FIG. 6, right). Mouse IgG (mIgG) (Sigma, Germany) was used as a negative control. In sum, the results showed that the site recognized by BCMab1 was in the  $\alpha 3$  subunit.

The above FACS flow cytometry is shown as follow: first, a single-cell suspension was prepared, and stained on ice for 40 min by adding antibodies; the cells were washed with the PBS containing 0.1% BSA for 3 times, and incubated with FITC-labeled secondary antibody on ice for 40 min; after washing, an analysis was conducted using FACSCalibur flow analysis system (BD, US).

The detailed procedures for knocking down integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  by RNAi are shown as follows: a small interfering RNA system acting on integrin  $\alpha 3$  or  $\beta 1$  was established using pSUPER (Oligoengine, Washington, US) and then cloned into a pSUPER system, so as to express a 19 nt hairpin structure (shRNA) (comprising a small loop of 9 nt). The sequences encoding integrin  $\alpha 3$  or  $\beta 3$  shRNA are shown below:

5'-GATCCCCGCTACATGATTGAGCGCAATCAAGAGATTGCGCTGAATCATGTAGCTTTTAA-3' (SEQ ID NO: 28)

( $\alpha 3$ , sense);

5'-AGCTTAAAAAGCTACATGATTGAGCGCAATCTCTTGAATTGCGCTGAATCATGTAGCGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 29)

( $\alpha 3$ , antisense).

5'-GATCCCCGCTGAAGACTATCCCATTTGTTCAAGAGACAATGGGATAGTCTTCAGCTTTTAA-3' (SEQ ID NO: 30)

( $\beta 1$ , sense);

5'-AGCTTAAAAAGCTGAAGACTATCCCATTTGTTCAAGACAATGGGATAGTCTTCAGCGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 31)

( $\beta 1$ , antisense).

The inserted shRNAs (pSUPER-shIntegrin $\alpha 3$ , pSUPER-shIntegrin $\beta 1$ ) were confirmed in these DNA sequences. T24 cells were transfected by Lipofectamin2000 (Invitrogen, US). Integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$ - and GALNT1-knockdown cells were screened out using puromycin. The cells transfected with empty vectors were used as a control.

The antigen AG- $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  according to the invention can also be prepared by the following standard protocol:

#### I. Preparation of affinity column

1. Activating 0.33 g CNBr-activated Sepharose 4B Fast Flow matrix with 40 ml of 1 mM HCl for 30 min, and washing it with Binding Buffer 1 (25 mM HEPES, 500 mM NaCl, pH 7.4) twice;

2. Adding 10 mg antibody BCMab1 for binding at room temperature for 1 h;

3. Centrifuging, and removing the supernatant; adding 40 ml Blocking Buffer (0.1M ethanolamine, pH 8.0) for blocking at room temperature for 2 h;

4. Centrifuging, removing the supernatant, loading the column, connecting to a AKTA machine (GE), and rinsing and balancing with Buffer A (25 mM Tris, 150 mM NaCl, pH 7.4), then ready for loading samples.

#### II. Cell collection, sample loading and elution

1. Collecting T24 or EJ cells, and lysing these cells with a lysis buffer (25 mM Tris, 150 mM NaCl, pH 7.4, 1 mM PMSF);

2. Loading the cell lysate solution, and washing with Buffer A till OD<sub>280</sub> does not change significantly;

3. Eluting the bound protein with Buffer B (25 mM Tris, 2M NaCl, pH 7.4).

III. Desalinization, purification through molecular sieve, and electrophoretic analysis in combination with mass spectrometric characterization (The first elution peak is AG- $\alpha 3 \beta 1$ ).

## EXAMPLE 4

### Influence of GAL3ST2 on Aberrant Glycosylation of Integrin $\alpha 3 \beta 1$ In Bladder Cancer Tissues

In cells, generation of sulphated [3OSO3]Gal $\beta$ 1-4(Fuc $\alpha$ 1-3)[6OSO3]GlcNAc carbohydrate required GAL3ST (galactose: 3-O-sulfonyltransferase). GAL3ST, including 4 members i.e. GAL3ST1, GAL3ST2, GAL3ST3 and GAL3ST4, could move sulphates to the position Gal C-3. Surprisingly, compared with other members (GAL3ST1, GAL3ST3 and GAL3ST4), knockdown of GAL3ST2 (galactose: 3-O-sulfo-

nyltransferase 2) could downregulate BCMab1 staining signal to a great extent (FIG. 7). Knockdown of GAL3ST2 could significantly inhibit the growth and migration of cancer. All these results suggested that GAL3ST2 played an important role in the aberrant glycosylation of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  in bladder cancer cells and carcinogenesis.

Knockdown of GAL3ST2 was conducted as follows. A small interfering RNA system acting on GAL3ST2 was established using pSUPER and then cloned into a pSUPER system, so as to express a 19 nt hairpin structure (shRNA) (comprising a small loop of 9 nt). The sequences encoding GAL3ST2 shRNA are shown below:

5'-GATCCCCCGGTACCAACATCATGTTTTCAGAGAAACATGATGTTGGTGACCGTTTTTA-3' (SEQ ID NO: 32)

(GAL3ST2, sense);

5'-AGCTTAAAAACGGTCACCAACATCATGTTTCTCTTGAAACATGATGTTGGTGACCGGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 33)

(GAL3ST2, antisense).

The inserted shRNAs (pSUPER-shGAL3ST2) were confirmed in these DNA sequences. T24 cells were transfected by Lipofectamin2000 (Invitrogen, US). GAL3ST2-knockdown cells were screened out using puromycin. The cells transfected with empty vectors were used as a control.

The sequences encoding GAL3ST1-, GAL3ST3- and GAL3ST4-knockdown shRNAs are listed below, and the experiments were carried out in the similar procedures with those conducted for the knockdown of GAL3ST2:

5'-GATCCCCCTCCGAAACCTGCTCTTCTTTTCAAGAGAAAGAAGAGCAGGTTTCGGATTTTTTA-3' (SEQ ID NO: 34)

(GAL3ST1, sense);

5'-AGCTTAAAAATCCGAAACCTGCTCTTCTTTTCTTTGAAAGAAGAGCAGGTTTCGGAGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 35)

(GAL3ST1, antisense).

5'-GATCCCCGGTGCAGAACATCCTGTTTTTCAAGAGAAAACAGGATGTTCTGCACCTTTTTTA-3' (SEQ ID NO: 36)

(GAL3ST3, sense);

5'-AGCTTAAAAAGGTGCAGAACATCCTGTTTTCTCTTGAAAACAGGATGTTCTGCACCGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 37)

(GAL3ST3, antisense).

5'-GATCCCCGGTGCAGAACATCCTGTTTTTCAAGAGAAAACAGGATGTTCTGCACCTTTTTTA-3' (SEQ ID NO: 38)

(GAL3ST4, sense);

5'-AGCTTAAAAATCCGCAAGTCACCATCTTTTCTCTTGAAAAGATGGTGACTTGCGGAGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 39)

(GAL3ST4, antisense).

The detailed procedures for the above cell adhesion experiment are shown as follows:

Matrigel (BD, US) was coated on a 96-well plate, and blocked with 10 mg/ml thermally inactivated BSA for 1 hour. After becoming confluence, the above knockdown T24 cells were digested with 1% trypsin, collected at a concentration of  $5 \times 10^5$  cell/ml, resuspended in RPMI-1640 containing 1% FBS, and reconstituted at 37° C. for 15 min. shRNA vector was used as a control. The unadhered cells were rinsed off, whereas the adhered cells were collected and stained with

0.1% crystal violet (Sigma, Germany). After decoloration and dye solubilization, the samples were read at 575 nm by ELISA reader.

The detailed procedures for the above cell migration experiment are shown as follows:

Transwell experiment utilized optimized Boyden chemotaxis kit (with an pore size of 8  $\mu$ m, Costar, US). Matrigel (100  $\mu$ g/ml) was coated, and blocked with the PBS containing 1% BSA. The above knockdown T24 cells were digested with 1% trypsin, washed, and resuspended in a medium containing 1%

BSA. The lower chambers contained 10% FBS or 1% BSA (negative control). After being incubated at 37° C. for 4 hour, the cells remained in the upper chambers were sucked out, and the cells transferred into the lower chambers were fixed with ethanol and stained with Giemsa. The cells that penetrated through the filter membrane were counted under a microscope. Mitomycin C (2  $\mu$ g/m) was used to inhibit cell proliferation.

## EXAMPLE 5

N-Acetyl-Galactosaminyltransferase 1 (GALNT1) was Highly Expressed in Bladder Cancer Tissues and its Knockdown Line Downregulated Integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  Glycosylation

In order to confirm the function of glycosyltransferase in glycosylation of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$ , patients suffered from bladder cancer and normal bladder tissues were analyzed by DNA microarray. mRNA samples were obtained from 10 early-

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staged patients and 10 normal persons through bladder biopsy. It was shown in the microarray analysis that GALNT1 mRNA level was higher in tumor tissues than normal tissues by 11.2 folds (Table 3). In contrast, the levels of other GALNTs (GALNT2-9) and fucosyltransferases (FUT 1-10) did not show significantly difference between bladder cancer tissues and normal tissues (Tables 3 and 4). No significant difference existed in respect of the to expression of  $\alpha 3$  and  $\beta 1$  subunit mRNAs either. Housekeeping gene GAPDH was used as a control.

The microarray expression analysis is shown as follows detailedly. Total RNA was extracted by isopropanol/chloroform and Trizol from the bladder cancer tissues freshly dissected from 10 cases of patients and 10 cases of normal people. The investigation was carried out using human gene

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chips containing 35000 genes/chip (Catalog #: 220020; Product Name: CrystalCore human genomewide oligonucleotide microarray chip V2.0; Manufacturer: CapitalBio Corporation). Probes were obtained from 350  $\mu$ g total RNA of the 10 cases of patients and 10 cases of normal people. cDNA probes were prepared and labeled using CyScribe First-Strand cDNA labeling kit (Amersham Biosciende, US). The bladder cancer tissue specimens were labeled with Cy3; whereas the normal specimens were labeled with Cy5. The labeled cDNA probes were mixed with 2.5 $\times$ SSC, 0.2% SDS, and 15  $\mu$ g PolyA RNA. The microarray chips were hybridized at 50 $^{\circ}$  C. for 16 hours, and analyzed by ScanArray 4000 Microarray Analysis System (Packad Bioscience, US). The data were analyzed by Microarray Analysis Software (Dapple version 0.68 beta).

TABLE 3

High expression of GALNT1 in bladder cancer tissues						
GenBank No.	Gene name	Normal bladder tissues		Bladder tumor tissues		Fold-change <sup>#</sup>
		Signal <sup>*</sup>	Detection <sup>§</sup>	Signal <sup>*</sup>	Detection <sup>§</sup>	
NM_020474	GALNT 1	303 $\pm$ 26	P	3384 $\pm$ 142	P	11.2
NM_004481	GALNT 2	748 $\pm$ 23	P	703 $\pm$ 35	P	0.9
NM_004482	GALNT 3	1854 $\pm$ 72	P	1315 $\pm$ 118	P	0.7
NM_003774	GALNT 4	36 $\pm$ 3	A	42 $\pm$ 7	A	1.2
NM_014568	GALNT 5	12 $\pm$ 1	A	16 $\pm$ 1	A	1.3
NM_007210	GALNT 6	815 $\pm$ 39	P	902 $\pm$ 45	P	1.1
NM_017423	GALNT 7	735 $\pm$ 43	P	836 $\pm$ 72	P	1.1
NM_017417	GALNT 8	87 $\pm$ 9	A	107 $\pm$ 23	A	1.2
NM_021808	GALNT 9	172 $\pm$ 26	A	166 $\pm$ 18	A	0.9
NM_002204	Integrin alpha-3	3179 $\pm$ 112	P	3026 $\pm$ 137	P	0.9
NM_033666	Integrin beta-1	2877 $\pm$ 58	P	2800 $\pm$ 64	P	1.0
NM_002046	GAPDH	80942 $\pm$ 294	P	81409 $\pm$ 367	P	1.0

Gene expression profile of human normal bladder tissues, and bladder tumor tissues.

Abbreviations:

A, absent;

P, present.

<sup>\*</sup>Calculated mean fluorescence intensity signal.

<sup>§</sup>Classification of gene expression as absent or present.

<sup>#</sup>Proportion of the signals from experiments with bladder tumor tissues to normal bladder tissues for genes with changed expression (fold change >1 for increased and <1 for decreased gene expression).

TABLE 4

No significant difference of fucosyltransferase (FUT) expression in bladder cancer cells and in normal bladder tissues						
GenBank No.	Gene name	Normal bladder tissues		Bladder tumor tissues		Fold-change <sup>#</sup>
		Signal <sup>*</sup>	Detection <sup>§</sup>	Signal <sup>*</sup>	Detection <sup>§</sup>	
NM_000148	FUT 1	1836 $\pm$ 132	P	1684 $\pm$ 127	P	0.9
NM_000511	FUT 2	368 $\pm$ 26	P	403 $\pm$ 37	P	1.1
NM_000149	FUT 3	2734 $\pm$ 192	P	2835 $\pm$ 185	P	1.0
NM_002033	FUT 4	593 $\pm$ 35	P	502 $\pm$ 47	P	0.8
NM_002034	FUT 5	18 $\pm$ 3	A	23 $\pm$ 5	A	1.3
NM_000150	FUT 6	1253 $\pm$ 29	P	1392 $\pm$ 54	P	1.1
NM_004479	FUT 7	685 $\pm$ 73	P	823 $\pm$ 67	P	1.2
NM_178156	FUT 8	406 $\pm$ 35	P	378 $\pm$ 19	P	0.9
NM_006581	FUT 9	82 $\pm$ 16	A	96 $\pm$ 23	A	1.2
NM_032664	FUT 10	1358 $\pm$ 126	P	1407 $\pm$ 164	P	1.0
NM_002046	GAPDH	80942 $\pm$ 294	P	81409 $\pm$ 367	P	1.0

Gene expression profile of human normal bladder tissues and bladder tumor tissues.

Abbreviations:

A, absent;

P, present.

<sup>\*</sup>Calculated mean fluorescence intensity signal.

<sup>§</sup>Classification of gene expression as absent or present.

<sup>#</sup>Proportion of the signals from experiments with bladder tumor tissues to normal bladder tissues for genes with changed expression (fold change >1 for increased and <1 for decreased gene expression).

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T24 cells were transfected with pSUPER-shGALNT1 vectors, so as to downregulate GALNT1 expression. The GALNT1-knockdown T24 cell lines that had been transfected stably were screened out using puromycin (FIG. 8). GALNT1 could be silenced by 80%. Compared with empty pSUPER vector, the GALNT1-knockdown cell lines could downregulate BCMab1 staining signal significantly (FIG. 9, left). A competitive inhibition experiment was conducted to the substrate BG of GALNT1. In the BG experiment, signal of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  recognized by BCMab1 was downregulated (FIG. 9, right). mIgG was the negative control. The result showed that GALNT1 might induce aberrant methylation of the integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  in bladder cancer.

The method for silencing GALNT1 is shown below. A small interfering RNA system acting on GALNT1 was established using pSUPER and then cloned into a pSUPER system, so as to construct a pSUPER-shGALNT1 vector and express a 19 nt hairpin structure (shRNA) (comprising a small loop of 9 nt). The sequences encoding GALNT1 shRNA are shown below:

5' -GATCCCCCAGTACAAAAGCCTCATGTTCAAGAGACATGAGGCTTTTGTACTGGTTTT-3' (SEQ ID NO: 40)

(GALNT1, sense);

5' -AGCTTAAACCAGTACAAAAGCCTCATGTTCTTGAACATGAGGCTTTTGTACTGGGG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 41)

(GALNT1, antisense).

The inserted shRNAs (pSUPER-shGALNT1) were confirmed in these DNA sequences. T24 cells were transfected by Lipofectamin2000 (Invitrogen, US). GALNT1-knockdown cells were screened out using puromycin. The cells transfected with empty vectors were used as a control.

GALNT1 was inhibited by BG. T24 cells were cultured in a 6-well plate with or without 2 mM BG (Sigma, Germany) for 7 days. The cells were collected, into which BCMab1 and its corresponding FITC-linked secondary antibody were added and incubated for 40 min. The expression of antigen of BCMab1 was analyzed by FACS.

## EXAMPLE 6

Knockdown of Integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 can Inhibit Cancer Proliferation and Tumor Growth

Knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 (see above for the detailed procedures) could significantly reduce the binding rate between [ $^3\text{H}$ ]-thymidine and DNA of T24 cells (FIG. 10, a), and remarkably affect the cloning of T24 cells (FIG. 10, b). In order to investigate the influence of the knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 on tumors in vivo, a tumor-bearing model was constructed by inoculating BALB/c nude mice at their backs subcutaneously, then tumor change was observed by injecting vectors. Compared with the control group, the integrin  $\alpha 3$ - or GALNT1-knockdown group significantly inhibited growth of the subcutaneous tumors (FIG. 10, c). And by the end of the observation period, i.e. on Day 35, the tumor inhibition ratio reached 63% and 42%, respectively.

The steps of the cell proliferation experiment are shown as follows.  $^3\text{H}$  nuclide incorporation assay was utilized. Wild-type T24 cells and shIntegrin  $\alpha 3$ - or shGALNT1-knockdown T24 cells ( $2 \times 10^3$  cells/well) were coated onto a 96-well plate and cultured till reaching 70%-80% confluence. The cells were cultured in serum-free RPMI-1640 for 24 hours and the medium was replaced by RPMI-1640 containing 10% FBS. To the wildtype T24 cells, 10  $\mu\text{g}/\text{ml}$  of BCMab1 or control

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mIgG was added. After 72 hours,  $^3\text{H}$  was added and the cells were cultured for 4 hours. Then the cells were collected and detected for  $^3\text{H}$  incorporation amount by a liquid scintillation counter LKB1219.

The above animal experiment was shown below. BALB/c nude mice (female, 6 weeks old, with a body weight of about 15 g) (purchased from Chinese Academy of Medical Science Institute of laboratory animal) were fed in a SPF environment. T24 cells (including wildtype T24 cells and shIntegrin  $\alpha 3$ - or shGALNT1-knockdown T24 cells) were xenografted, and tumor cells ( $1 \times 10^7$ , suspended in PBS) were injected subcutaneously at their backs. When tumors grew up to 3-5 mm, the mice with wildtype T24 were grouped (10 per group), and BCMab1 or mIgG (10 mg/kg) was injected intraperitoneally, 3 times/week, for 35 days. The tumor volumes were measured twice per week. Orthotopic bladder cancer transplantation model, T24 cells were labeled with GFP, and tumors were induced to be transplanted into bladders by blood vessel probes. BCMab1 or mIgG (1 mg/kg) was administered into the bladders of 24 mice in each group. The images were

obtained by an in vivo imaging system (IVIS) on days 5, 10, 15, 20, 25 and 30 after transplantation.

## EXAMPLE 7

Knockdown of Integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 can Inhibit Cancer Proliferation and Tumor Growth

The detailed procedures for knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 are described in the previous Examples. The function of the integrin  $\alpha 3$ - or GALNT1-knockdown T24 cells was detected. It was found that  $\alpha 3$ -knockdown T24 cells could significantly inhibit adhesion between cells and Matrigel (FIG. 11, a). The migration experiment indicated that  $\alpha 3$ -knockdown T24 cells significantly inhibited cell migration (FIG. 11, b). The scratch test (Huang, J., et al. Genetic and epigenetic silencing of SCARAS may contribute to human hepatocellular carcinoma by activating FAK signaling. J Clin Invest 120, 223-241 (2010)) showed similar results (FIG. 11, c). However, knockdown of GALNT1 did not impact cell adhesion or migration significantly (FIG. 11, a-c), suggesting that silence of integrin  $\alpha 3$  could inhibit adhesion and migration of bladder cancer cells.

## EXAMPLE 8

Knockdown of Integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 can Enhance NK Cell-mediated Lysis of Bladder Cancer Cells

The detailed procedures for knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 are described in the previous Examples. We investigated the killing action of nature killer (NK) cells against integrin  $\alpha 3$ - or GALNT1-knockdown T24 cell lines. Compared with the empty vector controls (Vector/integrin  $\alpha 3$  and Vector/GALNT1), the knockdown cell lines could enhance the killing action of NK cells (extracted from peripheral blood of healthy human). In the experiment for testing the killing action of NK cells against  $\alpha 3$ -knockdown cell lines, where

E/T (effector cell/target cell) ratios were 10:1, 20:1, and 40:1, the killing activities of NK cells against  $\alpha 3$  knockdown and empty vector controls were  $12.5 \pm 1.6\%$  vs  $10.8 \pm 0.6\%$  ( $p=0.106$ ),  $24.6 \pm 3.9\%$  vs  $18.5 \pm 2.1\%$  ( $p=0.001$ ), and  $43.8 \pm 5.4\%$  vs  $30.7 \pm 2.7\%$ , respectively ( $p<0.001$ ) (FIG. 11, *d*, left). In the experiment for testing the killing action of NK cells against GALNT1-knockdown cell lines, the killing activities were  $12.4 \pm 0.8\%$  vs  $11.7 \pm 1.4\%$  ( $p=0.439$ ),  $20.5 \pm 2.1\%$  vs  $17.3 \pm 2.3\%$  ( $p=0.017$ ), and  $33.2 \pm 4.4\%$  vs  $27.6 \pm 3.7\%$  ( $p<0.002$ ), compared with controls. In conclusion, knockdown of  $\alpha 3$  could activate NK cell-mediated killing action more effectively, compared with knockdown of GALNT1. And similar results were achieved for NK92 cell (ATCC: CRL-2407) mediated killing action (FIG. 11, *d*, right).

To further study the killing action of NK cells against tumor cells, the NK cells were eliminated by anti-asialo GM1 antibody (Wako Chemicals, Richmond, Va.) in BALB/C mice before inoculation of T24 cells. In this model, integrin  $\alpha 3$ - or GALNT1-knockdown T24 cells could significantly inhibit growth of tumors, compared with empty vectors. No died cell was found in the tumor tissues of  $\alpha 3$ - or GALNT1-T24-inoculated mice from which NK cells had been eliminated (FIG. 11, *f*); whereas a few died cells were observed in the early-stage tumor tissues from which NK cells had not been eliminated. Interestingly, in the tumors of the mice inoculated with  $\alpha 3$ -GALNT1-T24, NK cells could significantly facilitate the expression of perforin and IFN $\gamma$  (FIG. 11, *g*, *h*). Moreover, the number of the NK cells was greater in shIntegrin  $\alpha 3$  or shGALNT1-treated tumors than in the control group (FIG. 11, *i*). The data suggested that the killing action mediated by NK cells played an important role in the tumor-bearing mouse with  $\alpha 3$ - or GALNT1-knockdown T24.

#### EXAMPLE 9

##### Antibody BCMab1 Inhibited Proliferation of Tumor Cells

T24 cells were inoculated into a 96-well plate in a density of  $1 \times 10^3$  cells/well, and cultured conventionally till reaching the confluence of 70-80%. Then the cells were starved in a serum-free medium for 24 hours. Antibody BCMab1 (100  $\mu$ g/mL) was added, and the culture was continued for 48 hours while serum was resumed. At the same time, homogenic mouse IgG (mIgG (Sigma, Germany)) was used as a control. The cells were incubated with the incorporation of [ $^3$ H]-TdR (synthesized by Isotope Institute of China Institute of Atomic Energy) for 4 hours, and counted for the amount labeled by [ $^3$ H]-TdR using a liquid scintillation counter LKB1219 (LKB Corporation, Sweden). As shown in FIG. 12, the result indicated that compared with the control group, the proliferation of tumor cells was inhibited significantly in the antibody BCMab1-treated group.

#### Example 10

##### BCMab1 and BCMab1-Ra Inhibited Growth of Subcutaneous and Orthotopic Bladder Cancer Models

As shown in FIGS. 10 and 11, BCMab1 could significantly inhibit the growth of bladder tumors, colony formation and migration. For the sake of confirming the anti-tumor function of BCMab1 in vivo, a xenograft tumor model was established by injecting T24 cells ( $1 \times 10^7$ , suspended in PBS) into the backs of BALB/c nude mice. When tumors grew up to a

diameter of 0.3~0.5 cm, BCMab1 or control mIgG antibody (10 mg/kg) was injected intraperitoneally, 3 times/week. Compared with the control, tumors were reduced significantly in the BCMab1-treated group (FIG. 15, *a*). And the inhibition ratio reached 77% by the end of the experiment (Day 40).

To detect the orthotopic anti-tumor function of BCMab1, orthotopic transplantation tumor model of bladder cancer was built up using GFP fluorescence labeled T24 cells (GFP-T24). GFP-T24 ( $5 \times 10^6$ ) cells were transplanted into bladder. GFP was detected by an in vivo imaging system (IVIS), so as to confirm that all the inoculated BALB/c nude mice were suffered from bladder cancer. The mice were grouped (24/group). BCMab1 or mIgG 1 mg/kg was injected into bladders (FIG. 15, *b*). Compared with the control group, administration of BCMab1 in bladder effectively inhibited growth of bladder cancer and extended lift time of T24 tumor-bearing mice ( $p<0.0001$ ) (FIG. 15, *c*, *d*). No BCMab1-related toxicity was found in the experiment. And no metastasis was found in the BCMab1-treated group by histopathological investigation. However, in the mIgG control group, tumor metastasis was present in 30%~50% mice, tumors metastasized to lungs and lymph nodes, and 10% mice died (data not shown).

Immunotoxin BCMab1-Ra was generated through the conjugation between BCMab1 and ricin A chain. More specifically, ricin A chain and BCMab1 were connected via a heterogeneous difunctional crosslinking agent SPDP (N-succinimidyl 3-(2-pyridyldithiol)propionate) into the immunotoxin BCMab1-Ra. The detailed procedure was shown as follows.

1. Reaction (RT-PDP) Between Ricin A Chain (Ra) and Crosslinking Agent (SPDP):

(1) 10 mg/3.5 ml Ra (prepared in accordance with: Song, P et al., The preparation of conjugate composed of ricin A chain and mAb 3G11 and the evaluation of its biological activity in vitro, Journal of Chinese Hospital Pharmacy, Vol. 25, No. 10, p899-901, 2005) was added to 100  $\mu$ l 4 mg/ml SPDP (Sigma-Aldrich Co. LLC.) (dissolved in absolute ethanol, formulated immediately before use) in a 10-fold excessive molar ratio, and agitated at room temperature for 30 min;

(2) A small amount of precipitate was observed after agitation, and then centrifuged at 10000 rpm for 30 seconds;

(3) The supernatant was collected and placed into a dialysis bag (Beijing Xin Jing Ke Biotechnology Co. Ltd (MD44120)), then dialyzed with acetate buffer (0.02M/pH 4.5) overnight;

(4) A small amount of precipitate was observed during the dialysis, and removed by centrifugation; the remaining solution was Ra-PDP solution.

2. Reaction (Ra-SH) Between Ra-PDP and DTT

(1) 27 mg DTT (Sigma-Aldrich Co. LLC.) (with a final concentration of 50 mM) was added to 3.5 ml Ra-PDP, and agitated at room temperature for 30 min;

(2) A small amount of precipitate was observed after agitation, and then centrifuged at 10000 rpm for 30 seconds;

(3) The supernatant was collected and placed into a dialysis bag (Beijing Xin Jing Ke Biotechnology Co. Ltd (MD44120)), then dialyzed with PBS (containing 0.15M NaCl, 0.02M/pH 7.4) repeatedly till smellless.

3. Reaction (BCMab1-PDP) Between Antibody (BCMab1) and Crosslinking Agent (SPDP):

(1) 5 mg/6.5 ml antibody was added to 30  $\mu$ l of 4 mg/ml SPDP (dissolved in absolute ethanol, formulated immediately before use) in a 10-fold excessive molar ratio, and agitated at room temperature for 30 min;



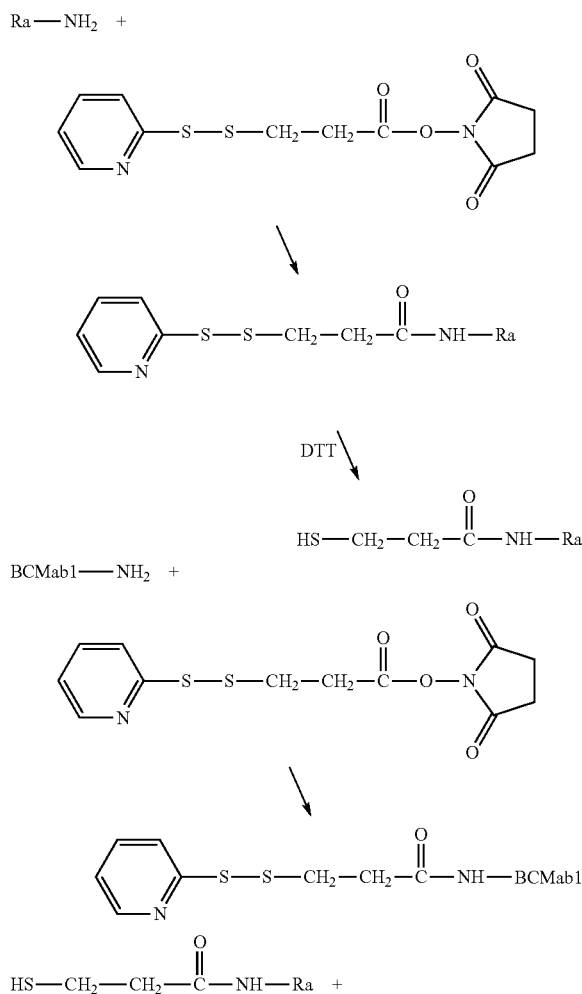
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- (2) A small amount of precipitate was observed after agitation, and then centrifuged at 10000 rpm for 30 seconds;
- (3) The supernatant was collected and placed into a dialysis bag, then dialyzed with PBS (containing 0.15M NaCl, 0.02M/pH 7.4).

#### 4. Conjugation of Immunotoxin (BCMab1-Ra):

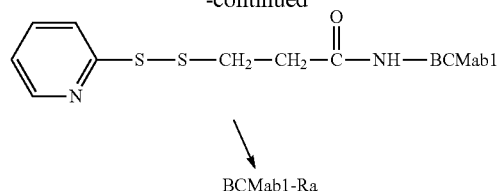
- (1) 3.5 ml Ra-SH and 6.5 ml BCMab1-PDP were mixed (10 ml), and agitated at room temperature overnight (more than 16 hours);
- (2) Obvious turbidity was observed, and centrifuged at 10000 rpm for 1 min;
- (3) The samples were concentrated by PEG20000 into a loading volume of 5 ml and loaded onto a G-100 column (Beijing Xin Jing Ke Biotechnology Co. Ltd (3098));
- (4) Each eluting peak was collected after loading samples (eluant: PBS (containing 0.15M NaCl, 0.02M/pH 7.4)), wherein the first peak was immunotoxin BCMab1-Ra, the second peak was antibody, and the third peak was toxin; measurement results showed immunotoxin  $OD_{280}=0.116$ , i.e. 5.1 mg/22 ml;
- (5) immunotoxin was filtered for sterilization, and then kept at 4° C. or frozen/stored at -20° C.

The detailed steps are shown as follows:



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It was shown in indirect immunofluorescence, FACS analysis and competitive binding experiments that the binding activity between the antibody and immunotoxin was 95% of the initial activity. The cell culture suggested that BCMab1-Ra was a very effective biological agent capable of killing bladder cancer cell lines (EJ and T24). BCMab1-Ra could inhibit the proliferation and growth of human bladder cancer cell lines in vitro (data not shown). Interestingly, direct infusion of BCMab1-Ra into bladders through urethral injection could inhibit tumor growth in mouse orthotopic transplantation tumor model which had the same survival rate as normal mice (FIG. 15, b-d). No toxicity caused by BCMab1-Ra was observed. As a result, BCMab1-Ra can be used as a potential toxic medicament for the treatment of bladder cancer.

Twenty-five sites were detected in the bladder of a mouse, so as to determine whether bladder cancer was induced. Through IVIS detection of GFP fluorescence, it was found that all mice were suffered from bladder cancer. On Day 25 during the treatment, all tumors disappeared in the BCMab1 group (FIG. 15, e, middle). The immunohistochemical and HE staining results showed that only a few cancer cells remained at the inoculation sites of T24 cells; and no tumor cell was detected in the BCMab1-Ra-treated group immunohistochemically (data not shown). However, the tumors did not disappear in the mIgG control group (FIG. 15, e, left). No appreciable damage was observed on the bladder mucous membranes of the mice in both BCMab1 and BCMab1-Ra groups (FIG. 15, e). Neither of them showed any difference in the bladder mucous membranes from normal mice under microscope. Overall, BCMab1 could inhibit growth of bladder cancer in vivo, and a part of mice, without any severe side effect, were healed completely. In our experiments, BCMab1-Ra also could eliminate bladder cancer cells without causing side effect.

In order to further investigate whether BCMab1 impacts other cells in a microenvironment of tumor, we detected microvessel density (MVD) and cytokines such as VEGF and IL-6 in a tumor-bearing mouse model. In the BCMab1 treatment group, the number of MVD was reduced significantly (FIG. 15, f), generation of VEGF and IL-6 was inhibited in tumors (FIG. 15, g, h). Same results were shown in the BCMab1-Ra treatment group as well (data not shown). It was suggested that BCMab1 could also suppress angiogenesis while inhibiting proliferation of tumors.

Furthermore, we conducted some researches on the anti-tumor molecular mechanism of BCMab1, and found that BCMab1 could cause stasis of tumor cell cycles by preventing focal adhesin kinase (FAK) and c-Jun from phosphorylation (FIG. 16, a, b). The glycosylated  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  on T24 cells enhanced FAK-dependent signalings (FIG. 16, c). Knock-down of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 lowered the phosphorylation levels of FAK and c-Jun significantly. In the case that NK cells were removed, BCMab1 still could inhibit growth of cancer (FIG. 16, d). All these results suggested that BCMab1 could inhibit tumor growth and improve the killing function of NK cells.

The above signal pathway experiment is shown as follows. T24 cells were starved in serum-free RPMI-1640 for 24 hours, and then cultured in RPMI-1640 containing 10% FBS and 10  $\mu$ g/ml BCMab1 or mIgG control. After 48 hours, the cells were lysed with lysis buffer. The lysate supernatant was analyzed by immunodotting with anti-human FAK, FAK, Phospho-FAK (Tyr397), c-Jun, Phospho-c-Jun (Ser63), Phospho-c-Jun (Ser73), CyclinD1 or CDK4 antibodies.

The antibodies used in the above experiments include: rabbit anti-human CyclinD1, rabbit anti-human CDK4, rabbit anti-human c-Jun, Phospho-c-Jun (Ser63), Phospho-c-Jun (Ser73), rabbit anti-human FAK, Phospho-FAK (Tyr397) (CST, US), and homotypical control mIgG (Sigma, Germany). Mouse monoclonal antibody BCMab1 was isolated from ascites using Protein A Sepharose. The biotinylated HRP and FITC labeled secondary antibodies were purchased from Pierce, US and Sigma, Germany, respectively.

Integrins impacted the adhesion-related effects in tumor cells, including proliferation, survival, migration, invasion and passage of FAK signal pathway. Phosphorylation of FAK was deemed as one of the major steps realizing further phosphorylation of Src and Fyn and triggering of signal pathway. Glycosylation of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  was clearly different in tumor cell lines and in the control cell line. The connection between cells and extracellular matrix protein was modulated by glycosylation. We found that knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 could inhibit proliferation of cancer and growth of tumors in vivo and in vitro. Suppression of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  signaling by BCMab1 also could inhibit proliferation of cancer and growth of tumors in vivo and in vitro. BCMab1 treatment downregulated phosphorylation of FAK and c-Jun, reduced expression level of cyclin D1 and CDK4, and interfered with cell proliferation and cell cycles. Therefore, aberrantly glycosylated integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  might result in malignant transformation of cells. BCMab1 could suppress tumor growth by inhibiting angiogenesis in the microenvironment of bladder cancer tumor. BCMab1 downregulated the generation of VEGF and IL-6 in tumors, which suggested that targeting of tumor microenvironment required further investigation.

EXAMPLE 11

Consistency Between Aberrant Glycosylation Level of Integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  and the Severity Degree and Lifetime of Cancer Patients

In order to determine whether the aberrant glycosylation expression level of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  is consistent with the clinical manifestation of cancer patients, immunohistochemical assays were conducted to the patients suffering from bladder cancer. The bladder cancer tissues obtained from 69 patients in Grades 1-3 (G1-3) and Stages 1-4 (T1-4) were detected. Weak staining occurred in the patients with low grades (G1-G2) and low stages (T1-T2) (FIG. 17, a and Table 5); whereas intense BCMab1 staining occurred in the patients with a high grade and high stages (G3 and T3, T4). The staining of normal bladder tissue was used as a control. As a result, the aberrant glycosylation expression level of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  was consistent with the severity degrees of cancer patients.

We also analyzed the aberrant glycosylation expression of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  and clinical pathological features in the patients who had experienced radical cystectomy. The aberrant glycosylation expression of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  was higher in the bladder cancer patients with high stages, deep invasion and lymph-node involvement than in the patients with low grades, shallow invasion and no lymph-node involvement

(Table 5). The patients with a higher aberrant glycosylation expression of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  had a lower survival rate than the patients with lower expression ( $P > 0.0036$ ) (FIG. 17, b).

TABLE 5

Integrin $\alpha 3 \beta 1$ modified by abnormal glycosylation is intimately correlated with clinical pathology of bladder cancer tissues					
		Expression of aberrantly glycosylated Integrin $\alpha 3 \beta 1$			
Total		Patients	High	Low	P
Age	Mean	62.3	65.7	58.9	0.352
Sex	Male	48	25	23	0.732
	Female	21	10	11	
Tumor stage	Ta, Tis, T1	26	5	21	<0.001
	T2	15	9	6	
	T3	20	13	7	
	T4	8	5	3	
Grade	G1 or 2	22	5	17	<0.001
	G3	47	32	15	
Configuration	Papillary	17	6	11	0.108
	Nonpapillary	52	30	22	
Number of tumors	Solitary	38	23	15	0.071
	Multiple	31	12	19	
Lymphatic invasion	Negative	18	2	16	<0.005
	Positive	39	21	18	
	Unknown	12	7	5	
Follow-up (month)	Mean	72.6	70.3	74.9	0.478

Bladder cancer is a common disease with an incidence increasing year after year. More and more evidence demonstrated that molecular signal pathway affected cell stability and thus caused bladder cancer. Cell growth mainly involves five aspects, including cell cycle, cell death, cell growth, signal transduction, and gene regulation. Both the influence of external carcinogenic signals or variation of genetic factors may result in signal disorder. Maintenance and progress of tumors depend on two external factors, i.e. the correlations between interstitial substance and knizocyte, and between angiogenesis and tumor cell invasion. However, the molecular mechanism for malignant transformation of bladder cancer was still unknown. The novel monoclonal antibody BCMab1 prepared by the inventors could specifically bind to aberrantly glycosylated integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  and recognize aberrantly glycosylated  $\alpha 3$  subunit. High expression of glycosyltransferase GALNT1 may result in aberrant glycosylation of integrin  $\alpha 3$ . Knockdown of integrin  $\alpha 3$  or GALNT1 could inhibit proliferation of cancers and growth of tumors in vivo and in vitro. As such, block of integrin  $\alpha 3$  signal by BCMab1 could also inhibit proliferation of cancers and growth of tumors. In addition, aberrant glycosylation level of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  was correlated with clinical staging and prognosis of bladder cancer. The results suggested that aberrant glycosylation of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  was correlated with occurrence of bladder cancer. Aberrant glycosylation of integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  could become a new diagnosis marker for bladder cancer and a new indicator for prognosis.

EXAMPLE 12

Preparation of Immunodiagnosis Reagent for Bladder Cancer

Using the antigen AG- $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  and antibody BCMab1 described in the invention, a hypersensitized competitive ELISA method is developed in the invention to detect bladder tumors in human urine. The major process includes steps of using antigen AG- $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  as an immobile phase and standard

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sample; using antibody BCMab1 as a detection antibody in combination with the secondary antibody (horseradish peroxidase (HRP) labeled goat-anti-mouse IgG); and detecting bladder cancer antigen AG- $\alpha$ 3 $\beta$ 1 in urine of normal human and bladder cancer patients. It was proved by the experiments that the immunodiagnosis reagent for bladder cancer according to the invention had, compared with prior art, the following positive effects: (1) it directly detects urine liquid without injury, so as to avoid inconvenience and distress caused to patients by cystoscopy; (2) it has a high sensitivity and specificity that are much higher than those of the detection of current bladder tumor marker (such as nuclear matrix protein, cytokeratin, hyaluronic acid and the like) and pathological examination of urine exfoliative cells; (3) it has a high specificity and sensitivity and utilizes competitive ELISA to detect bladder cancer antigen in cells, so as to avoid the defects of higher factitiousness and lower sensitivity which cannot be overcome by cell pathology itself; and (4) it is convenient and fast, thereby suitable for screening early-stage bladder cancer patients and detecting relapse of tumors.

Detailed experiment procedure is shown as follows:

- 1) Sample source and clinical data: urine of healthy volunteers and bladder cancer patients were obtained from Peking University Third Hospital.
- 2) Detailed steps:
  - i) coating ELISA plate with antigen: antigen AG- $\alpha$ 3 $\beta$ 1 was diluted to 1  $\mu$ g/mL with PBS and coated on a plate, 50  $\mu$ g/well, at 4° C. overnight.
  - ii) blocking nonspecific binding sites: incubated with 2% BSA/PBS, 200  $\mu$ g/well, at 37° C. for 2 hours.
  - iii) incubating samples: the samples to be tested were fresh urine; the loading amount was 50  $\mu$ L; urine obtained from healthy volunteers was used as the negative control; 1  $\mu$ g/mL antibody BCMab1 (50  $\mu$ L) was added to each well; each sample was duplicated and incubated at 37° C. for 1 hour.
  - iv) washing with PBST for 5 times.
  - v) adding horseradish peroxidase (HRP) labeled goat-anti-mouse IgG antibody (Sigma Co.), 100  $\mu$ L/well, incubating at 37° C. for 1 hour.
  - vi) washing with PBST for 5 times.
  - vii) adding substrate (tetramethyl benzidine, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>), 100  $\mu$ L/well, incubating in dark at room temperature for 10-20 min; adding 2M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (50  $\mu$ L) to terminate the reaction; measuring OD (450 nm) value by an Microplate reader.
- 2) Result analysis: according to negative OD value/OD critical value $\approx$ 2.1, OD critical value $\approx$ negative OD value/2.1; then the sensitivity and specificity could be determined in accordance with OD critical value.

		Actual Samples		Total
		+	-	
Detection Results	+	82	7	89
	-	18	93	111
Total		100	100	200

Clinical sensitivity can be used to evaluate the capability of a certain assay to detect sick subjects, and sensitivity is the proportion of true positives correctly identified in the actual sick subjects.

In the experiment, sensitivity=82/(82+18) $\times$ %=82%.

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Clinical specificity can be used to evaluate the capability of a certain assay to identify healthy subjects, and specificity is the proportion of true negatives correctly identified in the actual healthy subjects.

In the experiment, specificity=93/(7+93) $\times$ %=93%.

## EXAMPLE 13

## Screening for Potential Medicaments to Treat Bladder Cancer

T24 cells, endogenously expressing GAL3ST2 protein, were taken and cultured as above. The cells were used as cell models to screen for the medicaments to treat bladder cancer in mammals.

Test group: the above cell culture was treated with a candidate;

Control group: the above cell culture was not treated with the candidate.

After treated for a proper time period, the cells were detected for GAL3ST2 expression, enzyme activities, existing amount or secretion status by conventional methods. Compared with the control group, GAL3ST2 protein expression, enzyme activities, existing amount or secretion was significantly reduced by 30% or more in the test group, which indicated that such a candidate is a potential substance to treat bladder cancer.

Confirmation: RNAi sequence of GAL3ST2 was tested as a candidate. The result showed that GAL3ST2 protein expression was inhibited. Thus the RNAi sequence is a potential substance to treat bladder cancer.

## EXAMPLE 14

## Screening for Potential Medicaments to Treat Bladder Cancer

T24 cells, endogenously expressing N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 protein, were taken and cultured as above. The cells were used as cell models to screen for the medicaments to treat bladder cancer in mammals.

Test group: the above cell culture was treated with a candidate;

Control group: the above cell culture was not treated with the candidate.

After treated for a proper time period, the cells were detected for N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 expression, enzyme activities, existing amount or secretion status by conventional methods. Compared with the control group, N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 protein expression, enzyme activities, existing amount or secretion was significantly reduced by 30% or more in the test group, which indicated that such a candidate is a potential substance to treat bladder cancer.

Confirmation: RNAi sequence of N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 was tested as a candidate. The result showed that N-acetylgalactosaminyltransferase 1 protein expression was inhibited. Thus the RNAi sequence is a potential substance to treat bladder cancer.

Although the detailed Examples of the invention are illustrated as above, it can be understood that the invention can be conducted in a practice other than the above illustrations, and the protection scope of the invention is not limited by the description.

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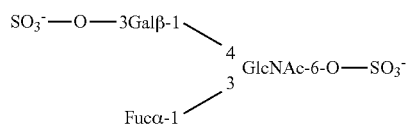
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The invention claimed is:

1. A binding molecule directed against an aberrantly glycosylated integrin AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$ , wherein the AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  comprises a carbohydrate [3OSO3]Gal $\beta 1$ -4(Fuc $\alpha 1$ -3)[6OSO3]GlcNAc as an antigenic epitope having a structure of:



wherein the binding molecule recognises or binds to the carbohydrate and is an anti-AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  monoclonal antibody BCMab1 secreted by a hydridoma call line deposited as CGMCC No. 3845.

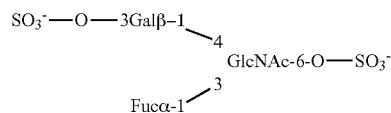
2. The binding molecule according to claim 1, wherein the binding molecule is conjugated with a radioactive agent.

3. The binding molecule according to claim 1, wherein the binding molecule is composition that comprises the binding molecule and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, diluents or excipient, and wherein the binding molecule is a radioactive agent.

4. A kit for detecting bladder cancer, comprising a binding molecule directed against an aberrantly glycosylated integrin AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$ ; and optionally another reagent for detecting bladder cancer.

wherein the binding molecule is optionally conjugated with a substance selected from the group consisting of a biological marker, an antitumor drug, a toxin, and a radioactive agent.

wherein the AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  comprises a carbohydrate [3OSO<sub>3</sub>]  
Gal $\beta$ 1-4(Fuc $\alpha$ 1-3)[6OSO<sub>3</sub>]GlcNAc as an antigenic  
epitope having a structure of:



wherein the binding molecule recognizes or binds to the carbohydrate and is an anti-AG- $\alpha 3\beta 1$  monoclonal antibody BCMab1 secreted by a hybridoma cell line deposited as CGMCC No. 3845.

5. The kit according to claim 4, wherein the detection is carried out by an enzyme linked immunosorbent assay.

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6. The kit according to claim 4, wherein the sample to be tested is urine or bladder tissue.

7. A hybridoma cell line secreting antibody BCMab1 directed against integrin  $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  of human bladder cancer, wherein the hybridoma cell line is deposited as CGMCC No. 5 3845.

8. A method for diagnosing bladder with the anti-AG- $\alpha 3 \beta 1$  monoclonal antibody BCMab1 according to claim 1, the method comprising:

contacting the antibody with a test sample obtained for a 10 subject,

determining an amount of antigen-antibody binding, and determining the subject having bladder cancer if an antigen-antibody binding is present.

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